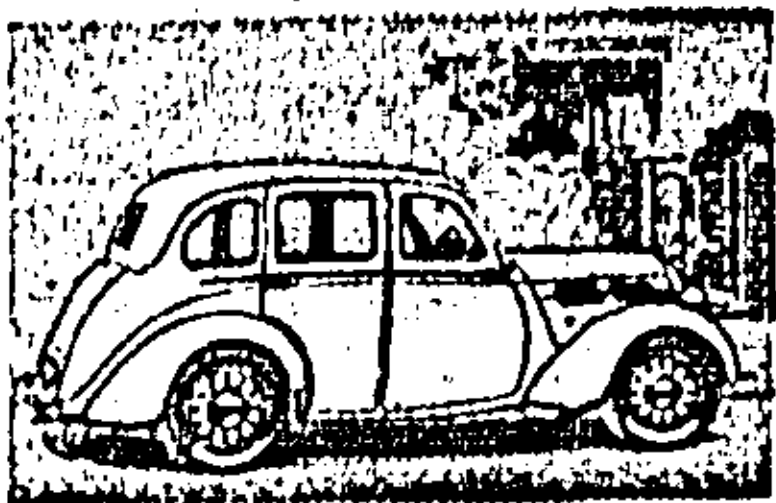


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Amazing Forced March

2,000 Miles Across
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**BRITISH FORCES
AT KENYA**

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—News was received here to-day of an amazing trek across 2,000 miles in Central Africa by troops of Northern Rhodesia who have now arrived in Nairobi, Kenya, after a journey in 200 motor vehicles from Lusaka, capital of northern Rhodesia.

They made the trip in six units and were completely self-supporting.

They consisted of the 1st Battalion Northern Rhodesia Regiment's first line transport, ambulance unit and supply company of the Northern Rhodesia Army Service Corps.

Self-Contained

They carried all their own equipment, stores, ammunition and enough petrol for the entire trip.

Only one motor vehicle of the entire 200 fell out on the way. Credit is due to the African drivers, many of whom only learnt to drive after the war began.

The contingent was met by the Governor of Kenya and the Officer Commanding the East African Forces. They will complete the contingent in Kenya of troops from all parts of British East and Central Africa.

"Civilians" in August

Recruiting was not the least remarkable fact about this "army". Three-quarters of the officers and European N.C.O.s were in civilian occupation when the war broke out.

When recruits were asked for District Officers, Government officials, University men and mining and railway experts arrived in large numbers.

So numerous were the African volunteers that recruiting had to be stopped after a few weeks. By then the first battalion had reached full strength and the second battalion taking its place in Northern Rhodesia was also fully manned.

LIFE IN A BRITISH SUBMARINE



NO WONDER THEY ARE SMILING.—They've just received a welcome opportunity for enjoying the fresh air and sunshine.—Photograph passed by the Censor.

BLANKETED BY FOG

Nature Anticipates
To-night's Blackout

To-night's air raid blackout was anticipated by nature by about twelve hours to-day when the harbour and surrounding neighbourhood were blanketed by heavy fog.

For several hours up to 8 o'clock this morning the fog was so dense in the harbour that ferry services were delayed and other craft were forced to feel their way cautiously, guided by sirens.

Road Traffic Affected

Road traffic was also affected and "go slow" became automatic with drivers. A slight drizzle did not add to the general comfort, the road surfaces being made extremely slippery and difficult to negotiate.

It is believed that shipping will be held up outside of the harbour. The fog, not a very prevalent phenomenon in Hongkong, followed yesterday's freak hailstorm in Kowloon.

According to the weather forecast Hongkong during the next 24 hours will experience light east and south-east winds. It will be cloudy with fog, and probably there will be some rain later.



THE SPIRIT OF THE NAVY.—On the conning tower above their comrades are keeping a good look-out for any emergency.—Photograph passed by the Censor.

Dramatic Stories of B.I. Liner Outrage Told By Survivors:

Two Women Among 100 Missing From The Domala

RESCUE LINER STRAFED AND BOMBED BY NAZIS

Neutrals Attacked Dutch Ships Are Chief Victims

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 4 (UP).—Reports from Ostend state that two Dutch coastal vessels, the De Ruyter (348 tons), from Scheveningen and the Limburg (345 tons), from Terneuzen, have arrived at Ostend with a cargo of coal from England destined for Belgium.

The report said a warplane of unknown nationality machine gunned both ships shortly after their departure from England but neither suffered much damage and there were no casualties.

Wreckage Found
AMSTERDAM, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Dutch steamer, Rijnstroom, of 695 tons, was found wrecked on the coast of England.

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It is officially stated that of the 295 aboard the B.I. steamer Domala, which was bombed in the English Channel on Saturday, 100 are missing.

Those missing are made up of 19 European officers, 36 native crew and 45 native passengers.

There were 143 native passengers altogether.

Among the missing are only two women, both stewardesses, who are believed to have been killed instantly by the explosion.

Attacked Dutch Ship
The Dutch ship, Jonger Wilhelm, which picked up the survivors of the B.I. steamer, was herself attacked by a Nazi plane half an hour earlier, presumably by the same one.

As in the case of the Domala, the plane was seen in the half-darkness flying low overhead with navigation lights full on.

The Dutch ship similarly took the Heinkel bomber for a British plane but discovered its mistake when a bomb dropped only 20 feet away.

The plane then dived repeatedly, sweeping the decks with its machine guns.

Fortunately there were no casualties.

Four other Dutch ships have been attacked in the North Sea. In addition to the 2,240-ton Schiedland and two smaller boats, they included a Dutch coastal vessel, which was bombed. The Captain and engineer were killed. The three survivors have landed at a British port after being aloft on a raft for 36 hours.

Graphic Stories

Graphic stories of the rescue of the victims of the Domala outrage were related when survivors landed in England.

An aeroplane, which helped the warship in a search for survivors, spotted a raft on which was clinging Cadet Duval, aged 17, who had been in the sea for two hours.

Cadet Duval was badly frozen and the sailors made a living chain over the warship to rescue him.

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DOOMED BATTALION WILL HOLD OUT TO LAST MAN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, MAR. 5 (UP).—THE DEFENCE OF VIBORG, WHICH IS NOW ENTERING ITS SECOND WEEK, MAY RANK IN HISTORY WITH THE HEROIC POLISH DEFENCE OF WARSAW LAST SEPTEMBER.

With the main Finnish Army already evacuated to new defensive positions three miles north of the shattered city, the fight against the Red advance into Viborg has been left to a rearguard battalion which has been told to hold out to the last man.

No quarter is given on either side.

Attempts by the Russians to cross the Bay of Viborg in order to reinforce the attack on the city were repulsed with heavy Russian losses and a Finnish communique last night claimed that attacks between Viborg Bay and Vuoksen had also been broken.

STILL IN FINN HANDS

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The main part of Viborg is still in Finnish hands although the Soviets are said to be gradually encircling the city.

The Finns are making the Russians fight every inch of the way and the Russians are having to die heavily for what is now a completely ruined city.

There has been fighting in the southern suburbs of Viborg while the main body of Finnish troops are retreating in good order and according to plan are retreating to new defences in the north-west of the city.

These defences are at their deepest point three miles from Viborg and the same length as the original Mannerheim Line.

The Russians are also reported to be applying heavy pressure at the centre of the Mannerheim Line. At East Taipale, the Finns have dispersed the Soviet forces who were attempting to concentrate for an attack and in this area the Russians have not gained an inch for a week.

Anxiety in Helsingfors

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Finns to-night appear to be PLEASE Turn To Page 7.

PROSPECTS OF PEACE

Finnish Leaders May
Oppose Unjust Terms

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The possibility of peace proposals being advanced for the Finnish war as soon as the Russians have entered Viborg and speculation about the political situation in Finland are occupying the close attention of foreign diplomatic circles here to-day.

The internal political situation in Finland is now considered to be at least as important as the military situation.

The position appears to be that not only German but many Scandinavian circles would like to see peace made in Finland.

But it is believed that Field Marshal Mannerheim and the Army leaders would resolutely oppose any proposal to make peace on terms which they have regarded as unsatisfactory.

To Explain Blockade To Americans

NEW YORK, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. G. Ashton-Gwatkin, of the British Ministry of Economic Warfare, and Mr. Charles Rist, economic adviser to the French Blockade Ministry, arrived here to-day and proceeded to Washington.

It will be their task to provide American departments concerned with details in regard to the working of the Allied blockade.

SWITZERLAND ADVANCES MARCH 9 MOBILISATION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ZURICH, Mar. 4 (UP).—The Swiss Army Headquarters announced that about 70,000 Swiss troops originally scheduled to be called up on March 9, have been ordered to report on March 6.

No reason for the change in orders has been given.

It has been announced that the Swiss Minister to Berlin has delivered a demarche regarding the frequent attacks by the German press on Swiss newspapers.

The General Staff of the Swiss Army, as the controlling authority, has been bitterly criticised in Germany.

Bulgarian Incident

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BUCHAREST, Mar. 4 (UP).—Two Bulgarian frontier guards were killed and two Rumanian soldiers were wounded in an incident on the Rumanian-Bulgarian frontier near Chilik-Kadi to-day.

It is reported that many shots were fired in a lengthy exchange of fire in

which a considerable number of armed forces was involved. A joint Bulgarian-Rumanian Commission has been appointed to investigate the affair.

Germans in Caucasus
LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Rumours of the presence of German troops in South Russia reached London last night.

The reports, which came from eastern Europe, state that two German divisions are now in southern Russia on their way to the Caucasus.

These reports are not confirmed but it is interesting to see what explanation the Russians will find for needing German help in that region.

LEAGUE MISSION TO STUDY RED METHODS

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The newspaper "Allhanden" states that a League of Nations Mission has arrived in Helsingfors to make a study of the Russian methods of warfare.

An angry denial of the allegations of Russian atrocities contained in a Note published by the Finnish Government and sent to the League of Nations was contained in a statement which has been issued by the Headquarters of the Leningrad Military Area.

The statement described the allegations as being "transparently false and fantastic."

The statement contained a denial of air attacks on civilian population and stated: "The Red Army is too strong to need poison gas for use which it considers immoral and criminal."

S. Africa's Response

CAPETOWN, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Union Government, in response to an appeal by the League of Nations, has decided to make available £50,000 for the purchase of commodities to be given to the Finnish Government.

Malayan Contribution
HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The latest help for Finland comes in the shape of £1,400 contributed by sympathisers in Malaya for the Finnish Red Cross.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Anna Dorfmann at the Piano. Concerto No. 1 in G Minor (Mendelssohn, Op. 25), with the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Gocher; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 10 (Liszt).

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Variety with Arthur Askey and Jessie Matthews.

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7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado," "Trial By Jury," "Iolanthe."

8.28 A Light Orchestral Concert with Tino Rossi (Tenor) and Miliza Korjus (Soprano).

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

A discussion on the point of view of the neutrals.

9.45 Songs by Turner Layton at the Piano.

9.55 Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Bellington (Organ).

10.08 Variety and Dance Music.

11.00 Close Down.

Soviet Denies Charges

Moscow, Mar. 4. The Soviet Command in a statement answering the Finnish Note to the League of Nations says that the Finnish version of Soviet war methods is a malicious one. The statement claims that Soviet planes never bombed civilians. It denies the use of prisoners as shields, use of poison gas or violation of the laws of maritime warfare.

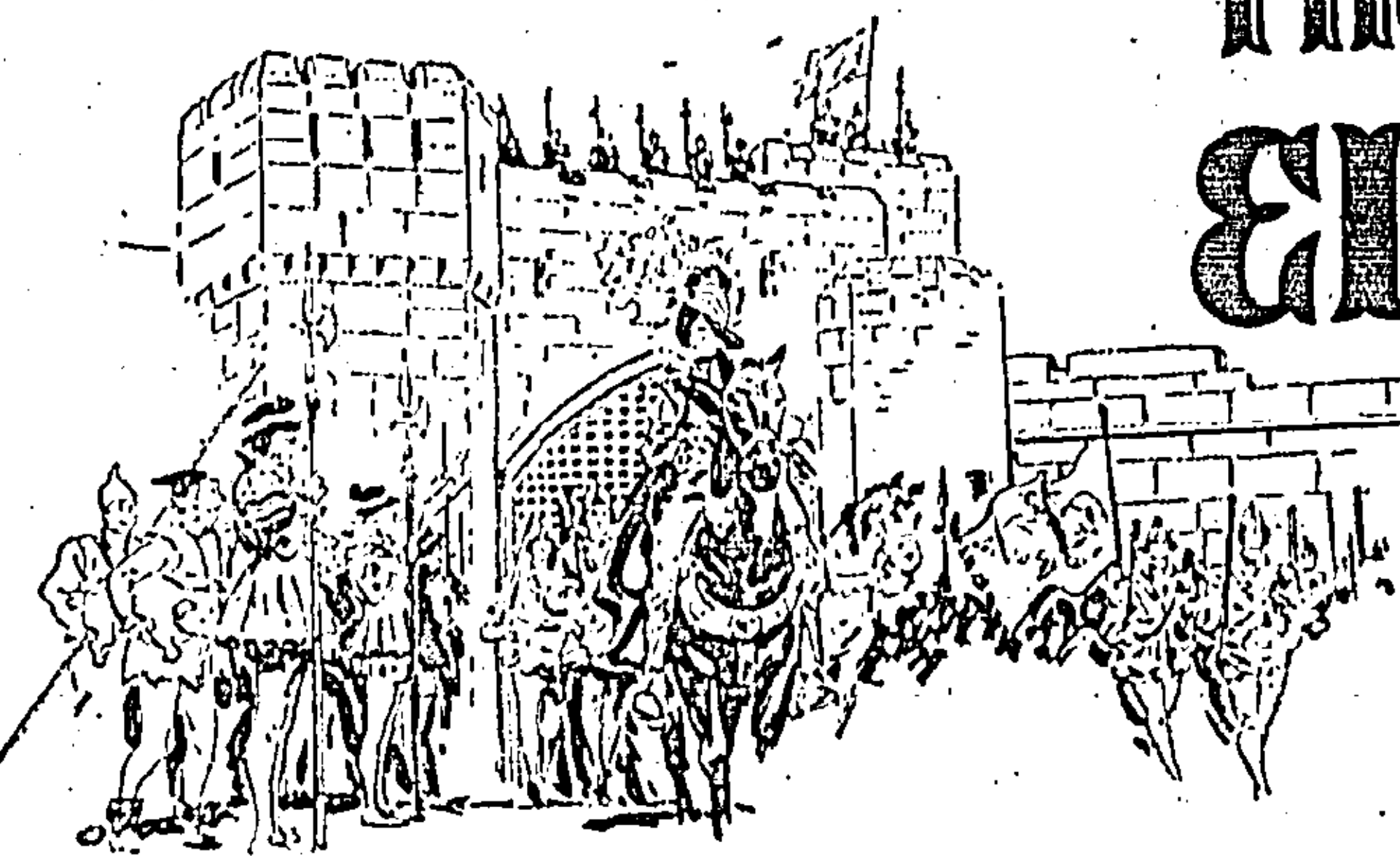
It states that the charges will be of no more avail than the tactics of Finnish officers who, before the surrender of military positions on the Karelian Isthmus, placed Finnish soldiers against the walls and shot them for not wanting to continue the fight for a hopeless cause.—United Press.

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Elizabeth arose testily from the table where she had been playing at chess with Lady Penelope Grey, and swept rustlingly across the firelit, tapestried chamber, past her ladies-in-waiting, her glittering, high-ruffled, brocaded form reflected in the mirrored walls.

The lovely Penelope, still harbouring her secret grudge against the Queen for her appropriation of Essex—although he had galloped away to heaven—knew where after Elizabeth had delivered the stinging blow to his person and his pride—responded to the Queen with sweet duplicity. "By Your Grace, Your Majesty, Sir Walter Raleigh has lately writ an answer to Master Marlowe's 'The Passionate Shepherd to His Love'."

"Well..." retorted Elizabeth from the semi-seclusion of her dressing room, where, mirror in hand, she was scrutinizing her aging face. "What about it?"

"With your permission, Your Grace, I'll sing it—if Mistress Margaret Radcliffe will take Marlowe's verses against me!"

"By all means..." called the Queen, "A tournament of song!"

"Are you mad, Pen?" Margaret whispered in terror. "She'll beat us or send us to the Tower."

THE STORY THUS FAR: London, 1596. The British fleet is in the harbour just returned from the successful storming of Cadiz in Spain. The young Earl of Essex, leader of the expedition—with his two subordinates, Sir Walter Raleigh and Lord Howard—are summoned to appear before the tempestuous Queen Elizabeth whose mad infatuation for Essex is notorious. Essex is enraged when the Queen, instead of praising him for his heroism, denounce him, claiming that his deeds were actuated by selfishness. She elevates Raleigh and Howard to high places in the Kingdom, and when Essex, angrily protests, strikes him across the face. He retorts insultingly, turns his back on the Queen, and exiles himself from London.

All went well until Penelope's exquisitely malicious voice sang: "But could youth last, and love still love—had joy no date, nor age no need..." A terrific crash interrupted, and Elizabeth, the remains of the shattered mirror in her hand, burst into the room and stood staring insanely at Penelope.

"So you brazen wench!" she screamed. "You defy me! You dare hold your Queen up for ridicule! You forward hussy, look at you! Because a gentleman once glanced at you, does it entitle you to come into my presence dressed like an indecent hedge dreg? Out of my sight, you shameless baggage!"

AS the trembling Penelope edged away, Elizabeth, her rage not yet spent, turned on the others. "And the rest of you! Do you stand like a herd of stupid cattle while I am treated so? Do you, too, think I am too old, too ugly, for a man to look on with love?"

Whirling toward one of the long mirrors she hurled the broken hand glass at it, splintering it into

a thousand bits. She wrecked another with a vase. "Take them down!" she shrieked hysterically. "Do you hear me? Smash them! Destroy them! Break every mirror in the Palace! Never let me see one in Whitehall again!"

Mistress Margaret Radcliffe, her beautiful eyes heavy with tears, was following the others out, when the Queen, her hard face softening, called to her. "Why are you crying, Margaret, my dear? You, the most innocent of them all! You've nothing to fear! Look at me—or do you also think your Queen's face too harsh for kindly glances?"

"Oh, no, Your Grace! I think you're lovely! I really do! I was crying because...because I was so frightened and lonely...and I...I cried a little bit for you, too! Forgive me, Your Grace, but you see I, too, know what it is to love some one...and not to be able to see him even...to know what..."

ELIZABETH soothed the girl, asked her about her lover, and finding that he was fighting with Bagenal in Ireland, promised to have him recalled to England at once.

Then, with a heavy sigh, she told Margaret to thank her stars she was not a queen—and brus-

quely bade her fetch Master Francis Bacon without delay.

The wily Master Francis had no sooner bowed before Elizabeth than she asked him sharply whether he was a friend of the Earl of Essex.

"I am," he answered suavely, "whatever Your Grace desires!" "And whatever your own interest dictated...Anyway you know Essex better than any other man does. Tell me, why doesn't he return to court?"

"Pride, Your Majesty!" "A pox on his pride!" He's got to come back! I command it! Matters of State require his presence! He's so obstinate he'll never come back unless I humble myself and ask him—and that I'll never do!"

At the moment a spent and travel-stained courier arrived.

"We have been annihilated in Ireland, Your Grace. Tyrone surprised us. Sir William Bagenal is dead. Every company...troop...arms...stores...everything...utterly destroyed!"

"All dead!" gasped the Queen. "All! Poor Margaret Radcliffe...poor...poor child! Always wars, blood and death in that unhappy country! I'll put an end to it! Not another man goes to Ireland!"

"Whoever holds Ireland, Madame, points a dagger at England's heart!"

"Oh, Bacon," moaned Elizabeth, "I'm only a woman! Must I carry the weight of the world alone?" "No, Your Majesty! You will form a new army! If you form a new army you'll need a new leader! Order Essex home! He can no longer refuse! It is his duty!"

"What!" cried the Queen. "And send him to ruin and death in Ireland! No, Master Bacon! No...no..."

"As your Grace wishes..." "But go to him! Go tell him I have need of him—great need! And go at once!"

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With all saucepans, see that the lid fits well, though not so tightly that it is a struggle to take it off. Pay careful attention to the handles, which should be round and grooved for round handles that are not grooved slip too easily when gripped.

Assure yourself that the saucepan balances well; some light aluminium saucepans tip over, the steel handle being heavier than the pan itself. If the saucepan is very large, there should be a small handle opposite to the main one to assist in lifting when the pan is full.

Aluminium saucepans are easy to choose, for they must be made of a metal of standard purity. They should be fairly heavy and stoutly built. Enamelled saucepans must have a thick, smooth layer of enamel, without blisters or cracks, and the surface must be bright and glossy. Cast-iron saucepans should be tested like the wheels of a train, to see that there is a good "ring."

Once you have bought the saucepan see that it is kept properly. A stout wooden shelf should be made where the saucepans can be kept out of the way and free from knocks when not in use. Remember, also, to make provision for the saucepan lids.

Cleaning Methods

All housewives realise that the greatest enemy of a saucepan is an encrustation of soot, and regularly clean their saucepans. Another shortening of the saucepan's life is burning. This is very easy to do, housewives consider that if they fill the saucepan with soda and water and allow it to boil, the burn will be removed. This is not so. Although the burn will apparently come off, the next time the saucepan is used its contents will burn again.

The only way to deal with this situation is to fill the burnt saucepan with fairly strong salt and water and leave it standing all night. Then bring the contents slowly to the boil and you will find the burnt particles can be rubbed away.

Make a rule of always washing the saucepan while it is still warm. This halves the difficulties of cleaning. All saucepans are best cleaned by rubbing them with a very fine grade of steel wool.

Soda should not be used to clean aluminium saucepans unless they are rinsed immediately.

Margaret Foster.

Chocolate And Coconut Cakes

THESE cakes have the advantage of looking and tasting quite rich and expensive, whereas actually they are economical and ration-sparing. Sift together half a pound of flour, two level tablespoons of cocoa, and a teaspoonful of baking powder. Add two tablespoons of desiccated coconut.

In a mixing bowl cream four ounces of margarine with the same quantity of soft brown sugar and work in the dry ingredients with a beaten egg and a little milk or water as required. Turn into greased patty tins or paper cases, and bake in a hot oven for ten minutes.

If preferred, a large cake can be made with the mixture, in which case it should be baked in a moderate oven for an hour and a half.



A button-down-the-front shirtwaist dress in blue ground, white and red stripes and print has dashing pocket flap, collar and cuffs of white pique.



To make certain that her feet will be ready for parties, this young lady gives them a refreshing rub with chilled "bath friction" after their warm soapy bath. Legs as well as feet and ankles come in for their share of the treatment.

FOOT BATHS AND CREAM MASSAGE

By JACQUELINE HUNT

YOU may have danced through the festive season, but do those toes of yours always feel like dancing now? Winter is the time for real foot ills unless the feet receive extra care. Shoes are heavier unless perfectly fitted tend to cause corns and callouses. Feet get less air and perspiration softens the tissues, leaving them more susceptible to blisters and infection.

Remember this when you walk over hard pavements, stand for hours behind a counter shifting your weight wearily from one foot to another, or hurry upstairs and down on your numerous errands. There is so much you can do to have more comfortable feet. Two or three times a week, or any time when your feet are tired and burning, give them this treatment:

Soak in tepid salt water for five minutes or more. The heat draws out the aches and weariness while the salt solution has a hardening effect on skin and tissues. Now in fresh water, scrub the feet vigorously with a brush and soapuds. Any good brush with not-too-stiff bristles will do. Get between the toes and scrub gently over any calloused areas.

Hot and Cold Water

The next step is the surprise. Run water as hot as you can then cold alternately over your feet. This forces out sluggish blood and brings in a fresh supply, relieving the congestion that causes swelling and itching. Finish with cold water, or dry your feet off and to be extra kind to them, and with a spraying of rub of eau de Cologne. The latter is mildly astringent, soothing and refreshing.

Drying the feet is something else that should be done with even more care. Always dry thoroughly between the toes, and use the rough surface of your Turkish towel to rub away softened callouses and remove dead cuticle from the nail surface. Now you can dance half the night or be off to bed, thoroughly refreshed. Before slipping on your hose in the morning dust deodorant powder between your toes.

At least once a week, perhaps at the time when you give yourself your regular pedicure, treat your feet to a thorough massage with a rich lubricating cream. Special foot creams are soothing and refreshing, but any good cream will do. Begin with the toes, massaging each one separately and working from the tips up over the ankle. Use both hands, the thumbs on top, the fingers curled around the sides and under the foot. Give special attention to the sole of the foot. Stroke the feet gently upward, ending this part of the treatment with a rotary massage movement in the hollows on either side of the heel.

Remember your feet do not end with your ankles. Continue the massage over the calf of the leg, twisting and kneading the big muscle and stroking firmly upward with both hands encircling the leg. A favourite trick of Ginger Rogers is to finish her foot and leg massage with an ice rub. She covers the piece of ice with a square of gauze and massages thoroughly until the skin tingles. She says this is firming and slimming to her famous dancing legs. It's a refreshing trick for any girl to try.

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Fish Dishes

THIS way of cooking makes fish go twice as far—and is very delicious to eat. Have a filleted tail, end of cod or 2-3 small haddock (filleted).

Make a stuffing from four tablespoons breadcrumbs, one tablespoon chopped suet, one teaspoon chopped parsley, salt, pepper, and a pinch of cayenne. Bind together with a little milk and form into a solid shape with the hand.

Place this inside cod—or divide amongst the fillets of haddock—roll them up, and place on greased dish. Bake in a moderate oven 30 minutes, or place fish on a greased plate, cover with greased paper, put on pan lid, and cook on top of boiling water. It will take three-quarters of an hour to an hour to cook thus. Serve with a good parsley sauce.

Yorkshire Herring Pie

This is easy to make and very tasty. Take three fresh herrings (filleted). Lay them to soak in a little salted water whilst you peel two sour apples and four potatoes. Cut the apples and potatoes into thin slices. Grease a pie-dish, and put in a layer of potatoes, then place half the herring on top. Season with salt and pepper.

Cover with a layer of apples. Fill up again with another layer of potatoes, herring, and apple. Then cover top with a thin layer of potato. Bake in a moderate oven (Reg. 5) for three-quarters of an hour.

Mock Souffle

This makes a good lunch, high tea, or supper dish. Grease a fireproof dish, and fill in a good layer of flaked salmon haddock (or other fish).

Sprinkle generously with sieved cheddar cheese, then pour over a souffle mixture made as follows: Cook one and a half ounce each of flour and margarine in a pan without browning, stir in half pint milk or fish stock, and stir till boiling.

Take off the fire, beat in two egg yolks, one at a time, quickly, and season with pepper and salt.

Beat up the egg whites stiffly and fold in lightly. Pour the mixture over the fish, and bake in rather a hot oven for about 20 minutes (Reg. 6 Mark 7). Garnish with parsley.

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Oatmeal On The Menu

GIVE porridge a trial, either for breakfast or supper, and soon it will become one of the household's favourite dishes. Here is a good recipe:—

Take 1 pint water and 2 ozs. coarse or medium oatmeal, according to taste, good pinch salt.

Draw the water fresh, pour into pan, and bring quickly to the boil. When boiling sprinkle in the measured meal with the left hand, and keep stirring all the time with the right. When it begins to thicken, draw the pan to the side of the fire and add salt.

Simmer slowly, 30-40 minutes, stirring occasionally, or make it in a double saucepan, keeping the water in the under part boiling all the time.

Cooked in this way, it requires little or no attention, and there is no fear of burning. The thickness of the porridge is very much a matter of taste. More or less oatmeal can be used if desired—though the above proportions are the general favourite. Serve with milk, or sugar, syrup, or cream.

Note:—For an invalid, it is perhaps better to soak the oatmeal overnight, as it makes it more digestible; but this alters the taste a little, so is not always so popular with people with healthy appetites.

Oatmeal Gruel

This is the season for colds, and a good, pleasant cure is a bowl of hot gruel, supped after you are safely tucked up in bed.

To make it, put 1 tablespoon oatmeal (fine) into a basin, and soak in ½ pint cold water 30-40 minutes, stirring occasionally. Then strain off the liquid into a small lined saucepan, and press the oatmeal as dry as possible. Stir till boiling. Boil 5-7 minutes. Sweeten, and add a good pat of margarine. Serve in hot bowl at once.

Thick Oatcakes

One day, when you have some leisure, make a big tin boxful of these oatcakes. They are delicious, and easy to make. Take:—

1 lb. medium oatmeal,
½ lb. flour,
1 teaspoon salt,
1 teaspoon sugar,
1 teaspoon baking powder,
3 ozs. margarine or lard,
cold water.

Mix dry ingredients, rub in fat, and add enough water to make a stiff dough. Knead lightly, and roll out to ¼-inch in thickness.

Cut in shapes, place on greased tin, and bake in a moderate oven 20 minutes. When cold, pack in airtight tin.

Some of us find a tongue easier to serve if served in a round. To do this, after skinning tongue, place it in a round tin, rinsed in cold water. It should fit in tightly. Add a little gelatine to a little of the liquid in which the tongue has been boiled.

Pour over the tongue. Place a plate on top of tin, with weights or a flat iron, to keep plate down. Set aside till cold and set. Turn on to a round saucer, and decorate with parsley and tomatoes.

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How To Avoid Headaches

PERSISTENT and constantly recurring headaches obviously demand medical attention, but there are some headaches that we bring upon ourselves, and which we can prevent.

Avoid sudden exertion after meals. Do not eat a heavy meal immediately after you have tired yourself out with physical exercise, or when your feet are cold. Rest for a quarter of an hour, get your feet warm, and then take a light meal.

Do not employ hard physical exercise as an antidote to severe mental effort. The best restorative is an easy walk.

Eschew a too meaty diet and cooked, fatty foods. Keep to freshly cooked foods, as far as possible of a vegetarian nature.

Worry is responsible for many headaches that are assigned to other causes.

J. S.



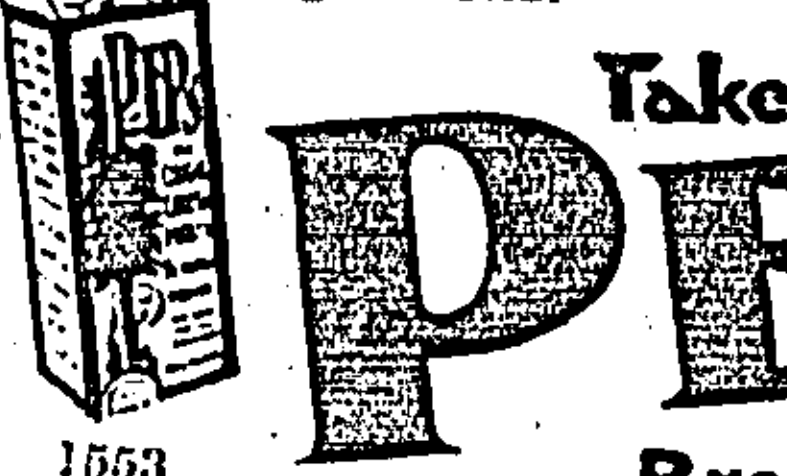
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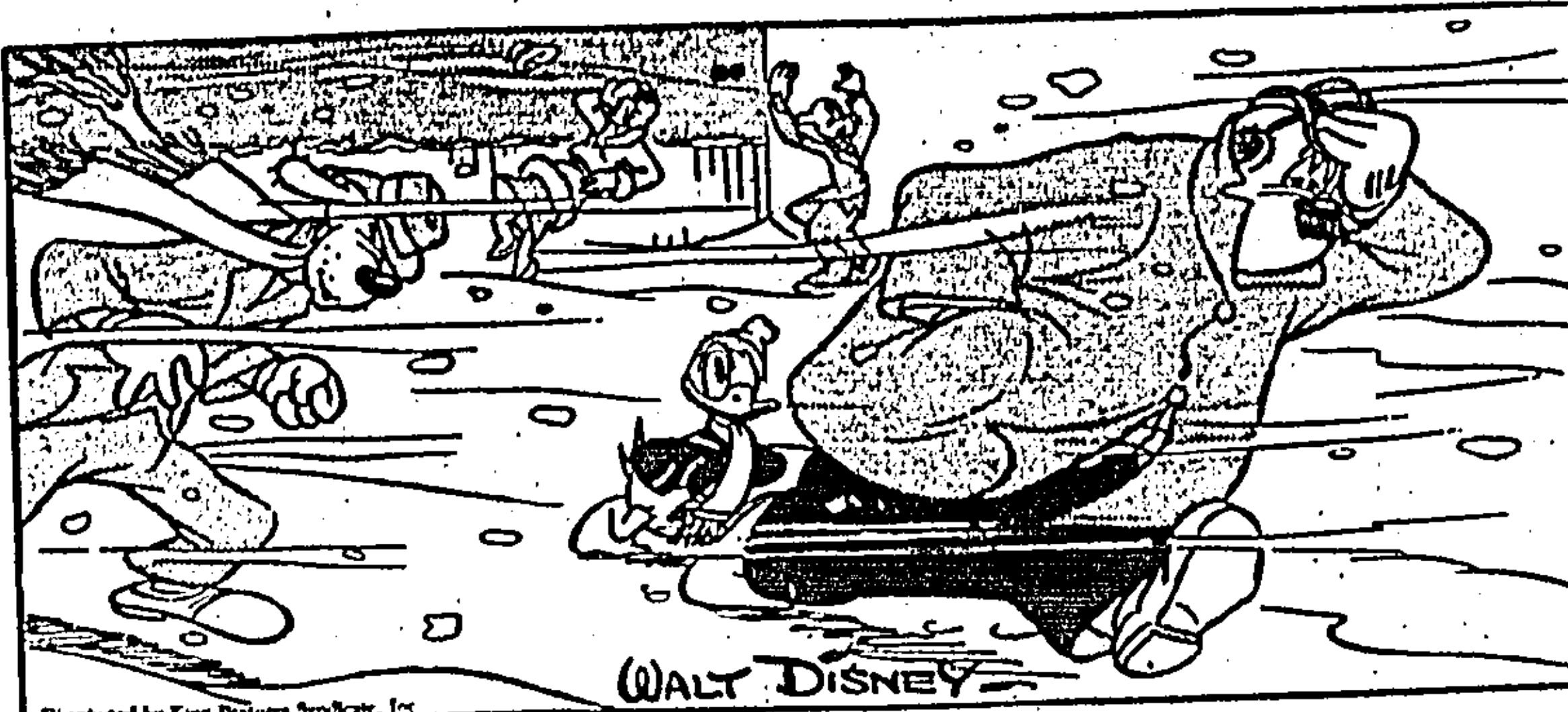
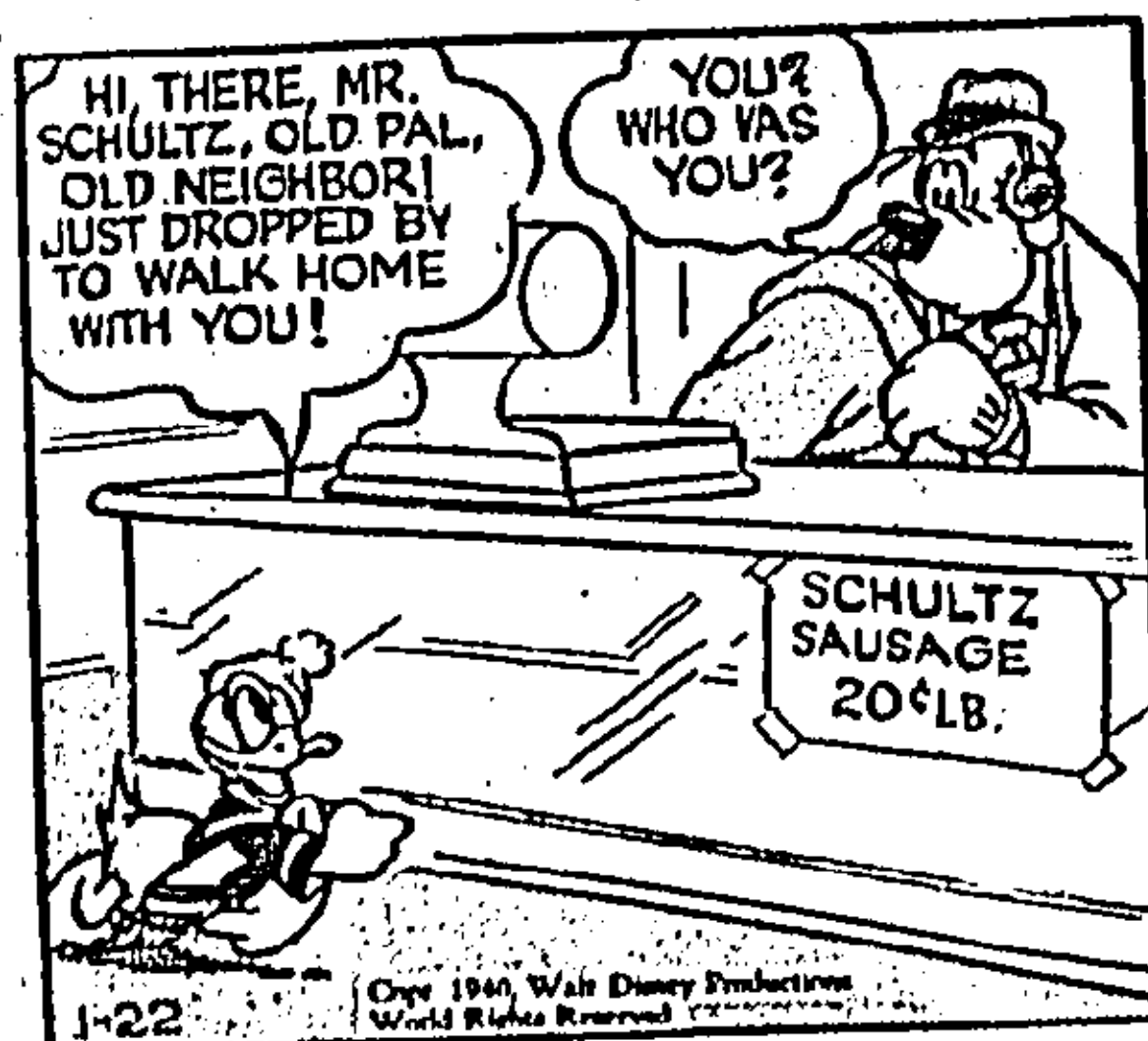
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SEAMAN'S DRAMATIC DIARY OF LIFE ABOARD NAZI "HELL-SHIP" ALTMARK

FOR the two and a half months that he was a prisoner in the Nazi "hell ship" Altmark, Seaman Robert Stone, of Wembley, Middlesex, kept a day-to-day record of his experiences.

The value of this record—made in neat pencilled notes on odd scraps of paper—is not as a literary gem, but as a plain human document.

Its value is enhanced by lack of exaggeration. There are no rumbles—not even a murmur when it records ten days on end without seeing the daylight above decks.

Simple words of appreciation for the contrast between the treatment received in the pocket battleship and that meted out by the English-hating commander of the Altmark.

Seaman Stone was in Australia when war broke out. He at once volunteered for the Navy, but the call for his services did not come quickly enough. He signed on as a sailor aboard the 9,933-ton Talara.

300 Miles Ahead—The Graf Spee

This is the story—three days off Durban, NOV. 22.—Three days off Durban we heard that the Africa Shell had been sunk.

DEC. 2.—We heard by radio at about 1.30 that the Doric Star was being shelled by the Graf Spee about 300 miles ahead of us.

DEC. 3.—At 4.55 a.m. the Q.M. came in sight off the port bow. At five o'clock we received orders to clear lower decks. At 5.5 the first mate called for two A.B.s to go on the bridge to stand by the flags. So I ran up.

At 5.55 when about 150 yards off our port beam, the ship turned starboard and opened fire broadside on us. The steering on the bridge was out of action.

The captain ordered "Abandon ship," and the third mate ordered "The Red Ensign to be lowered."

I was hit on the left arm slightly, but as I was on the turn, it spun me over.

No. 1 boat, the forward one on the starboard side, was hung up in the grips and therefore out of action. No. 3 and No. 5 were lowered and the majority of the crew were in them when a motor-boat from the Graf Spee came round our bows and ordered us all back on board.

When they were out of action and her speed only eleven knots, the officer called the men who were wounded, five in number, and had them lowered into the motor-boat, and sent to the warship for medical attention.

The officer in charge of the boarding party got the ship's articles and papers and called the roll.

Most men, including myself, put on our best suit and grabbed a few pieces of underclothing, towel, and soap.

In the meantime our crew were taken to the warship. Two of us, taken to the warship. Two of us, taken to the warship. Two of us, taken to the warship.

Prisoner Officers Act As Waiters

Then we were given dinner consisting of soup and a piece of tinned pork, spinach, potatoes and water, which was served to us by some of the officers who had been prisoners for two months.

As we were packed like sardines it was a bit of a struggle to get much sleep, but every one took it in good part, and the German sailors for us were fine, young sailors, and exchanged cigarettes and papers and matches with us, and told us a few German words which would be handy to us.

At 7 p.m. the ports were closed and the white lights were put out, leaving us a few blue lights.

DEC. 4.—At 6.30 a.m. we were called and taken on deck again, where the guards gave us a tin basin with water in and we had to wash to the waist. It was quite welcome.

Then we had breakfast of black bread and cold soup, and then on deck still dinner-time, twelve o'clock when we were given soup, black bread and water. The soup was very good and plentiful.

DEC. 5.—At about 5.30 a.m. the Q.M. came in and said the guard had reported that some prisoners had been smoking below decks, and asked those who had been smoking to stand up.

Only one stood up, and he had his cigarettes taken away, and then we were all taken on deck and given a good lecture by the Q.M., who explained that with us packed up as we were, fire would be disastrous.

DEC. 6.—After dinner we came alongside a tanker with the name "Seonge" on the bows and "Norge" amidships. (This was the Altmark.) We were then given our bundles of cases, and taken to the tanker in the Graf Spee's motor-boat.

It was about 2 p.m. when we were all lined up and told that, as smoking was strictly verboten on board the tanker, all matches, lighters, weapons, or sheath knives must be handed in. Then we were taken forward and put down below in storage decks.

Forty-eight of us were put in C deck, which was the fourth deck below. Only one deck was below us. This was also occupied by prisoners. Electric lights were on each deck, and big rugs taken from the Huntsman were used to lie on.

Sugar Came From S.S. Huntsman

"For a few days it was hot and stuffy," says the diary, which continues:—

Four stewards were picked from each mess, and these were sent up on deck before each meal for the food rations. We were called at 6 a.m. every morning.

Breakfast, 7 a.m. Dinner, 12 noon. Tea, 5.30. Breakfast consisted of two slices of black bread and one of white, and a mug of good tea with a little sugar. This was also taken from the Huntsman. Dinner was usually soup and very nutritious.

Usually we had water, but for a while, water was scarce, so we had one cup of tea for breakfast, and one for tea, which I found sufficient, but some were always feeling dry.

At night time hatches were put on, and we were locked down below. Sometimes our doors on each deck were locked, and this caused us to ask if we were to be given any chance if the ship was torpedoed or sunk.

The next morning the captain lined us all up, and the country had declared war on Germany and that, as Germany had no colonies on which to land us, they were obliged to keep us on board, and that he did not think Germans should have any time for the English after Versailles.

From this point the diary tells the story of the separation of the Altmark from the Graf Spee (following the River Plate battle) and of two months of "hull-and-seek" journeying until the arrival of Norway.

of just cruising around at very slow speed.

DEC. 15.—We got the rumour that the Graf Spee was in Moltvedo after an action with the Ajax, Exeter and Achilles.

DEC. 16.—We slowed down, and the name was altered on our side, and course altered to south.

DEC. 17.—All the crews and guard were busy painting the ship, and we were only allowed on deck to wash in the morning and to get our food from the galley. Speed clapped on south.

DEC. 20.—Washing in morning; soap and water scarce. Shipping water over to castle well deck, so only stewards allowed on deck.

DEC. 21.—Still going south. Colder and waves coming over.

DEC. 22.—Nearly stopped. Well south, cold and raining. No deck south, cold and raining. No deck south, cold and raining. No deck south, cold and raining.

DEC. 23.—Still stopped. Foggy and cold, but deck for our crowd from 10.50 to 11.50. Warned about smoking again—penalty three days down below on bread and water.

DEC. 24.—Christmas Eve and still hanging around this cold place. No deck as it is raining, but sweets for dinner, sage and fruit preserve like loganberries. Then six bun leaves extra for tea. At roll-call lieutenant wished us compliments of season from himself and his captain.

Gooseberries On Christmas Day

DEC. 25 (Christmas Day).—Deck 10.50 to 11.50, but too wet and cold to stay on deck long. Chicken broth and rabbit stew and macaroni, and a tin of preserved gooseberries between six for dinner. After tea, while stewards were washing up, some one dumped a little box over the side, but the look-out on the bridge noticed it, and they put the ship into reverse and picked it up. The guards came down to each deck and looked at us, but so far no individual has confessed, and no one is going to be allowed on deck again. So here's hoping.

DEC. 26 (Boxing Day).—Not allowed to wash or go on deck for three days. Stewed cherries for dinner. Water seeping through slides and bedding cold and damp. Hard to keep warm, even with blankets over us.

DEC. 27.—Cold and wet, still just keeping leeway. Too cold on deck, even with overcoat on, so gave up peas (stewarding) job.

DEC. 28.—D deck below were shifted aft yesterday as it was too wet and cold. We are allowed on A deck for a wash to-day, first for four days, but water very scarce. Still very cold, and all feel hungry.

Yesterday we had sweet soup for dinner, doughboys and stewed figs. Soup sweet but O.K. Dumplings small and like lead.

JAN. 9.—Peggy again. Very cold, but nice to see and be in open air again. Practically every one now in hummock, as decks very wet and wash clothes this week.

JAN. 10.—Peggy. First day on open-deck for ten days. Lot of prisoners looking white and sickly.

January 20 records the Altmark going west at steady speed, then on 23 the ship put on full speed. JAN. 23.—10 S. 10 W. approx. Hot and only wearing bathing shorts, so comfortable. Had stewed fruit yesterday for dinner, and to-day fruit juice and blancmange.

Then into February, steaming north. FEB. 7.—Rough, going N.E. Four days' stores issued. FEB. 10.—On deck in afternoon. Big seas. Put clock on one hour. Another four days' rations given out to-day. "I get wet through getting them."

STALIN TAKEN FOR A RIDE



AMONG THE FINNISH WAR trophies captured during the Red rout on the Summa front was this photograph of Stalin.—Domei.

Germans Praise R.A.F.

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FEB. 13.—Going easterly, then turn south in afternoon. Two days' more rations to-day. Clock put on one hour.

FEB. 14.—Went up Norwegian fjord this morning and swung round all night with winches going in a harbour.

FEB. 15.—Got under way about 5 a.m. Norwegian gunboat pulled us up about midday. Two gunboats and two destroyers stood by, and we all yelled and kicked up a row and tried to smash the hatch covers in, but guards turned the hoses on us. Decks in hell of mess to-night; very wet and cold.

FEB. 16.—No excitement during night, but notice sent down to each deck to say biscuits and water only to be issued for our misbehaviour in trying to break out yesterday.

Then the same day (February 16) news of the chase by British planes and destroyers.

About 5 p.m. news came down from A deck that we were being chased, apparently about looking up, and she was entering a fjord. Crew were standing by with lifebelts on, and about twenty with cudgels over our hatches.

Then The Cossack Crashed Through

Seven p.m. She appears to be jammed in the ice. At 11.15 p.m. we heard a big bump as the Altmark tried to ram the destroyer Cossack.

At about 11.20 the boarding party from the destroyer came on board, and the first we heard, although we were all up and standing by with our lifebelts on, was a British sailor shouting out for crews of the British ships to come up as quick as possible.

The British boarding party, with fixed bayonets, had the German crew bailed up, and then the Cossack crashed through the ice and came right alongside, and we wasted no time in climbing aboard her.

In the Cossack we were put down below into mess decks and given tea (with sugar and milk in it) and bread and butter and jam and real cigarettes.

Are we excited now—all on our way to good old England! Three cheers for the British Navy!

Striking Is Not To Be Sabotage

A CLAUSE has been inserted in the Defence Regulations making it clear that the sabotage section does not apply to a person, "taking part in, or peacefully persuading any other person to take part in, a strike."

This is one of several important changes made following recent criticisms in Parliament. An Order-in-Council authorising the revision has been published. Agreement was reached at a conference between the Home Secretary and an all-Party Committee. Labour was represented by Sir William Jowitt, Mr. Wedgwood Benn and Mr. John Jagger.

Civil Defence

The regulation making it an offence to try to cause disaffection among members of the defence forces has been extended to cover civil defence workers.

To meet the criticism that the words "to cause disaffection" might cover legitimate propaganda to improve conditions, such phrases as "to seduce from their duty" and "to cause disaffection likely to lead to breaches of duty" have been substituted.

A person against whom a detention order has been made is now entitled to be supplied, by an Advisory Committee, with information enabling him to prepare his defence.

Monthly Report

A new paragraph makes it necessary for the Home Secretary to present a monthly detailed report to Parliament of all detention or restriction orders which he may issue.

The regulation making it an offence "to influence public opinion in a manner likely to be prejudicial to the efficient prosecution of the war" has been drastically revised to meet the criticism that it might be applied to any form of peace propaganda.

As re-drafted, it will apply only to propaganda in which use is made of "any false statement, false document, or false report."

It will be a defence for a defendant

to show that he had reasonable cause to believe that the statement, document, or report in question was true. The regulation under which the Home Secretary could delegate his power to ban meetings to certain local officials has also been dropped. The "curfew" regulation remains unaltered. Although Sir John Anderson offered to withdraw it, the general view is that it is necessary to keep in reserve some power to prohibit general movement in the event of a grave emergency arising.

Japan And France

Anxiety To Improve Relations

Tokyo, Mar. 4.

The Japanese Government is anxious to readjust relations with France, the Foreign Office spokesman stated to-day.

He understood that the French Government was also prepared to enter into negotiations for that purpose.

Negotiations have not yet been started but the spokesman hoped that they might get under way next week. He admitted that the Japanese bombings of the Yunnan Railway had somewhat strained the Franco-Japanese situation. Reiterating that the bombardment of the Yunnan Railway had been dictated by military and strategic necessity, the spokesman was doubtful whether bombings as such would be stopped on certain conditions.—Domei.

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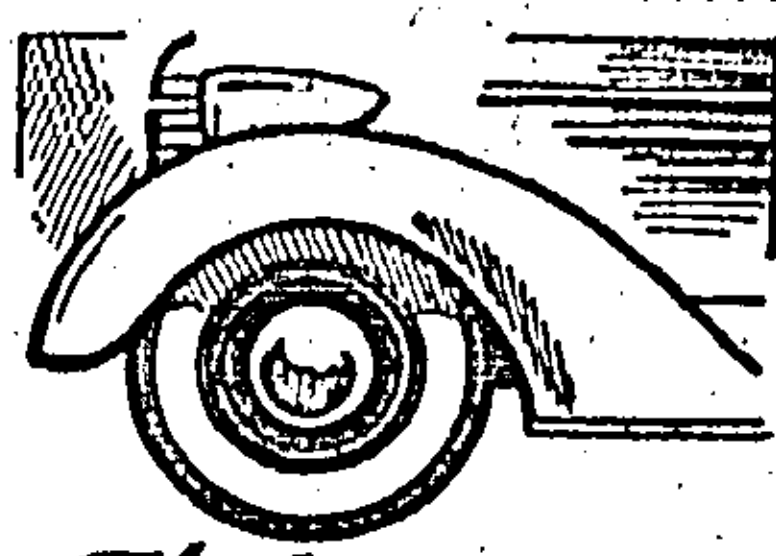
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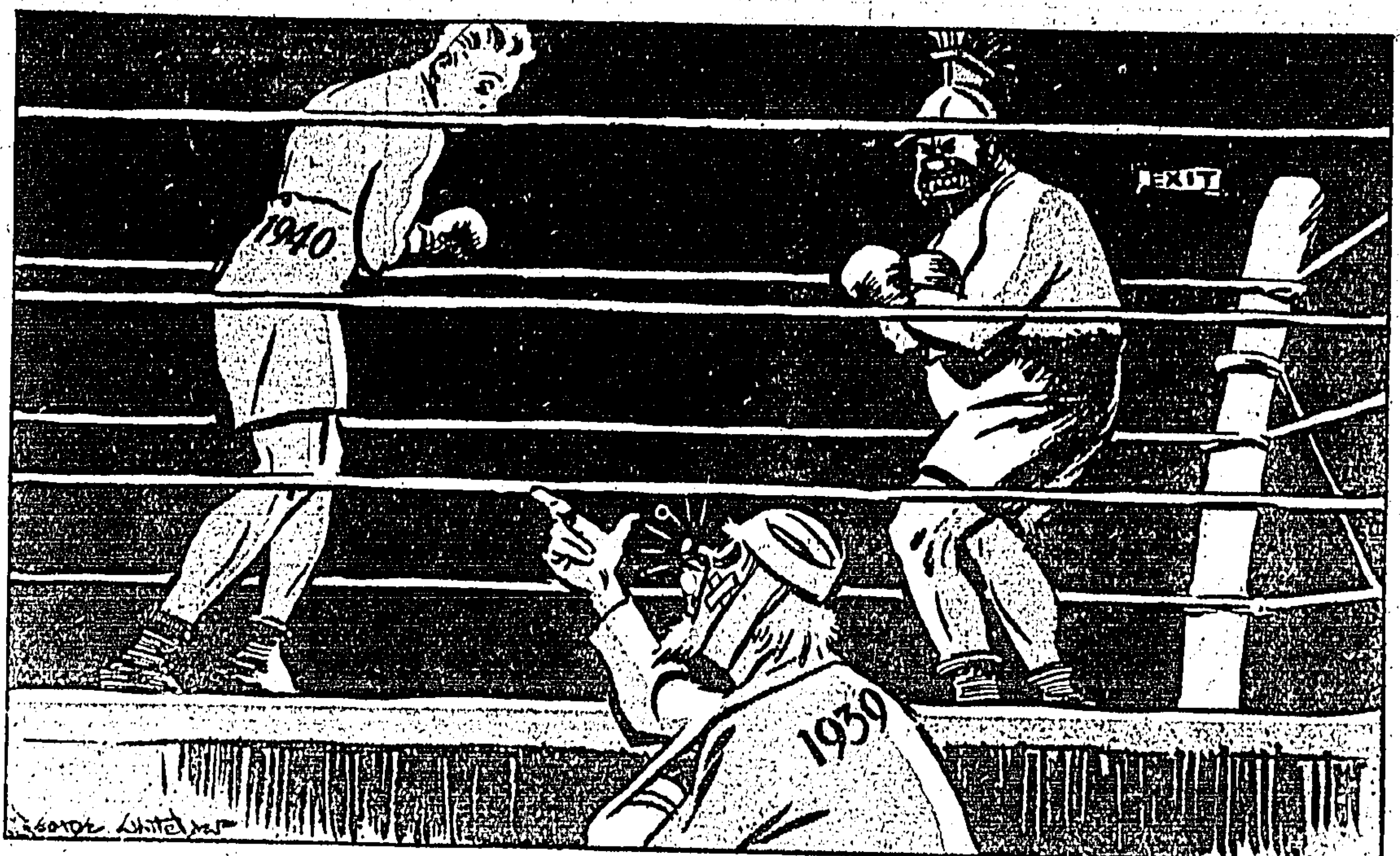
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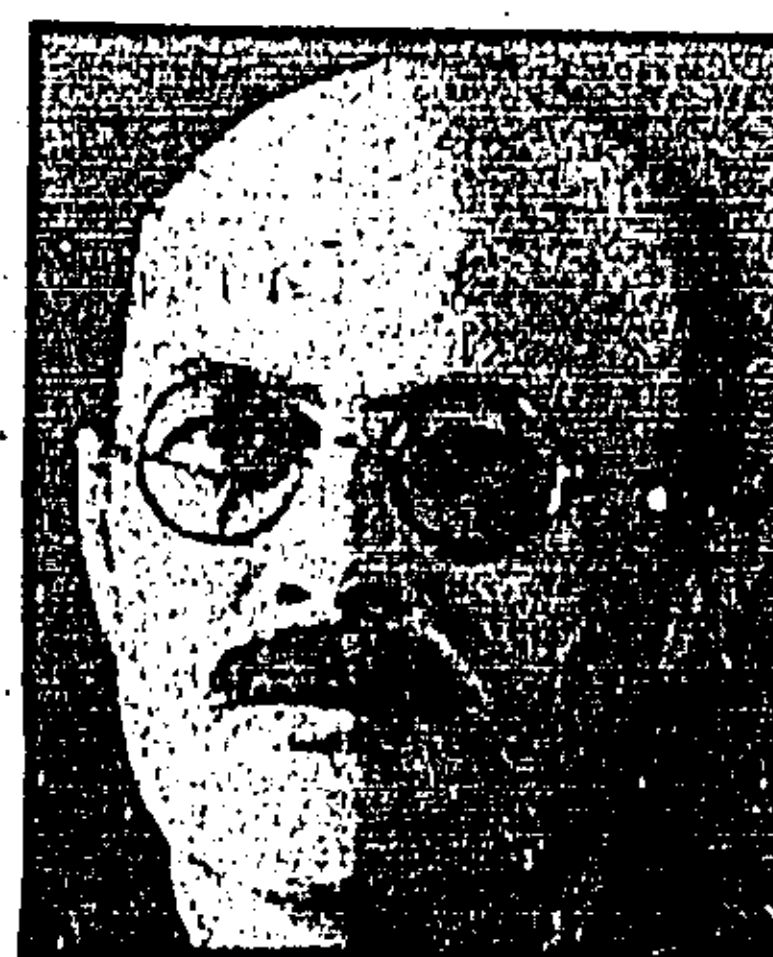
The Small Nations

WHEN about twelve months
ago President Roosevelt asked
Hitler to pledge himself that he
would not attack the independent
nations of Europe for ten years
no satisfaction was given. When
the smaller nations were asked
to say whether they were afraid
of a German attack they held
their peace. They appeared to
be afraid of the bully's ill-will.The past year has brought a
startling change. There is not a
single one of the small nations
but is acutely apprehensive of
assault. The three Baltic States
were swallowed whole by Russia,
and she is now engaged in a
painful effort to absorb Finland.
Alarmed by the fate of these, all
the other small nations are
feverishly strengthening their
defences, determined to resist
any attack upon their liberties.King Carol has declared that
Rumania will never allow an
enemy to set foot upon her soil.
Because Holland has made no
war-like boasts doubts have been
expressed of her will or capacity
to resist aggression. She has
boldly dispelled that illusion.
The Government announces in
the plainest possible words that
any assault on Dutch territory
will be met with the most
obstinate armed resistance.Belgium, at the moment, is
silent, but she could have no
choice but resistance if Holland
were assailed by a German flank-
ing movement on the Maginot
Line. It is no pessimistic view
to regard the position of
Norway, Sweden, and Denmark
as critical in the extreme.
Switzerland, till lately considered
to be the safest country in
Europe, has mobilised all her
forces, and has 650,000 men
ready to oppose any attempt by
Germany to break through there.
The danger to the Balkan States
comes from another source,
Russia, and anxious efforts are
being made to procure adjust-
ment of their differences, lest
disaster overtake them.There is not a spot on the map
of Europe but is threatened with
war, and a false move anywhere
might precipitate a Continental
war.

OLD 1939: "Better see if Marx has a horseshoe in his glove. Look what he did to me!"

Yes, I like the
sergeant who
swears..says Oliver
BALDWIN(Viscount Corradine) Socialist
son of a Conservative father;
author, soldier, film critic,
ex-M.P.Was in France with the Irish
Guards in 1916 at 17WE in Great Britain
seem to have re-
placed our old bar-
rack-square disci-
pline with a peculiar form of
psycho-analytical treatment.
Recruits are no longer spoken
to sharply if they are idle in case
they are upset, and the father-
liness of the modern command-
ing officer seems certain to
make the barracks a perfect
"home from home."There are soldiers in our army
to-day who have been in training
for three months and yet walk
about the streets of the garrison
towns as if they had just got out
of bed after a heavy night.The saluting is slovenly and of-
ficers seem unwilling to impose
discipline except on their own unit.
Officers, non-commissioned of-
ficers and men are mixing in public
places, and where attempts to
tighten discipline occur parents
and the modern soldiers them-
selves become class conscious and
insist that a private soldier is as
good as a general.He may be, but no war was ever
won on that basis, and unless
something is done to tighten dis-
cipline over here I dread to think
what will happen in the front line
when the real war starts.I will explain this criticism.
When troops are in the front
line and are being badly shelled or
have suffered heavy casualties overa period of days, there is only one
thing that can keep them working
as a unit and that is the discipline
of the barracks square—the con-
tinuous, tedious, tiring marching,
turning and halting.Saluting, some of you say, is un-
necessary. I thought so, once, but
I have been with revolutionary
armies and I know which side wins
—the disciplined, saluting type.When I say discipline, I do not
mean Guards discipline of the pre-
1914 type. This was overdone, but
its basis was right.Remember, too, the Guards had
a different code to the rest of the
Line in those days. No non-com-
missioned officer was allowed to
swear at the men on parade: the
men's offences were put in a book
and the punishment was held over
till next day.In the line regiments we used to
be sworn at and it was all over.
Two kinds of discipline, but which
did the soldier prefer?I liked the swearing type of ser-
geant. He rarely meant what he
said, and the trouble was quickly
over. To-day the sergeants hardly
dare reprimand: the new soldier
must remain a civilian in spirit.

When discipline is as slack as

Commanded the International
Brigade's British Battalion in Spain.THERE are two sorts of
discipline. One is the
obedience men give to
orders they know are
necessary and to leaders they
respect.It goes beyond obedience: dis-
ciplined soldiers do not have to
wait for orders or find an officer
before they do what they know
is needed; their own willingness,
their feeling of shared responsi-
bility, can lead them.Of that sort of discipline no
army can have too much—and the
British army needs more. But that
is not the sort of discipline Mr.
Baldwin wants.

He asks for the other sort:

barrack-square drill, smart salu-
ting, separation of officers and men,
swearing sergeants, reprimands,
stereness.That sort of discipline is useless
to-day. It destroys the strongest
moral force in an army, the feeling
of comradeship. It makes men
dependent on constant supervision.
They do nothing beyond what they
are told to do. That to-day is not
enough.An army in modern battle splits
itself into a tightly-woven mesh of
little groups: it is not possible for
an officer or sergeant to be with
each group or for orders to reach
it continuously.Our appallingly heavy casualties
among officers in the last war was
partly due to officers trying to be
everywhere and look after every
man in the line. The amount of firethat it is more than ever essential
that officers, non-commissioned
officers and men should be segre-
gated as much as possible; for if
you add familiarity to slovenliness,
slovenliness to reprimand and
casual saluting you have got
nothing better than a mob, and
three months' front-line service
will completely disorganise it.The only part of military disci-
pline which is abominable is in-
justice, and in the modern Army it
should not occur as easily as it used
to in the last war.For the rest I am convinced by
experience in the Infantry, in the
Guards, in the front-line, and in a
revolutionary army that a sterner
discipline than that which our
troops are undergoing at present is
essential for victory.THE DOCTOR
LAUGHSA DOCTOR, in the good old
days, called at a country
cottage and said to the good-
wife, "Did you get those leeches
I sent for your husband, Mrs.
Macfarlane?""Oh, ay, sir," was the reply.
"But whit' i' the world was the
guld o' sendin' wee things like
yon for a muckle chiel' like oor
Jock? I juist took an' clappit the
ferret on him."Another village doctor, after
examining a young patient, said
to his mother, "And what are
you going to make of this little
man when he grows up?""Och, he's shair to be a butcher,
sir," said the fond mother. "Maxty,
he's that fond o' animals, we canna
keep him out o' the slaughter-hoose."Weelum was feeling very "low"
when the doctor called."Well, Weelum, and how are you
to-day?" inquired the doctor."Verra bad; verra bad. I wush
Providence wud hae mercy on me
an' tak' me awa'.""Hoots, Weelum," said his wife,
who was standing by, "hoo can ye
expect that if ye wanna tak' the
doctor's phrase?"The new doctor had been called in
to attend one of Mrs. M'Tosh's large
family. On entering the house he
said, "I detect rather a disagreeable
smell in the house, Mrs. M'Tosh.
Are you sure the drains . . . ?""Och, it canna be the drains, sir,"
said she indignantly. "There's nae
here ava'."An Irish doctor, who had been
called on to examine the victim of
an accident, gave judgment as fol-
lows:—"There are three wounds.
One may prove fatal, but I expect
he will recover from the other two."One day the doctor called at a
farm labourer's cottage. "How is
your husband this morning?" he asked
buxom woman who opened the
door to him. "Did you tuko his
temperature as I told you?""Och, ay, sir," she replied. "I put
the barometer on his chest, an' it
PLEASE Turn To Page 2.Saluting will
never win a war

SAYS TOM WINTRINGHAM

Son of a solicitor, nephew of one of the first woman M.P.s, and an
expert on military affairs.barrack-square drill, smart salu-
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man in the line. The amount of fireon a battlefield can be much
greater to-day than in 1916, and
the job cannot be done that way.Mr. Baldwin thinks that the disci-
pline of the barrack-square
holds troops to their job. I think of
the Canadians and Australians—
our "shock troops" of the last war.
And I think of the International
Brigades in Spain—a very useful
infantry.The Canadians seldom drilled
and very seldom saluted. The In-
ternationals, averaging five weeks
training, had little time for drill;
they saluted quite often, though
not so often as some troops. Their
real discipline did not depend on
this, or any other formality.Discipline of the barrack-square
type teaches two good things: to
move without falling over your-
selves, and to get in line without
crowding. Beyond this it has little
value for war, or is harmful.

Officers should not, for snobbish

reasons, or for false ideas about
discipline, shut themselves off
from their men—unless they are
officers unfitted to lead. If they
are leaders by merit, not by social
class or influence, the better their
men know them the stronger will
be their unity.Democratic discipline forces men
to carry on because it enlists their
intelligence, their eagerness, their
pride in doing a job well. Barrack-
square discipline works only
through fear and habit. To-day,
intelligence is the stronger.As Marx pointed out, the
organisation of an army often
foreshadows the future social
organisation of the country it is
drawn from.The "comradeship of the
trenches" in the last war fore-
shadowed the classless society to
which we are moving. In 1914-18
it was an exception; to-day
barrack discipline is the exception.
We are, by this change towards
a democratic army, a step nearer
the wide democracy of Socialism.

German Coal For Italy

Blockade Already In Operation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
LONDON, March 4 (UP).—Italy's protest against the coal blockade appears to be approaching a "show down."
Despatches from Rotterdam state that five Italian cargo ships carrying about 20,000 tons of German coal sailed for Italy to-day.
The Ministry of Economic Warfare announces that German coal ships leaving port after midnight on March 1 would be detained.
The British authorities have promised careful and quick consideration of the Italian protest but they have emphasised that Britain's rights under International Law cannot be waived.
The connection between the coal controversy and the suspension of the Anglo-Italian trade negotiations has not been clarified but British sources are hopeful of an agreement being reached in connection with the British desires for Italian war supplies.

Rapid Consideration
LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It was stated in London to-day in connection with Italy's protest over the stoppage of German coal exports that the Note received a most rapid and careful consideration and the British Government will be as accommodating as possible in view of the friendly relations existing between the two countries.
At the same time, in view of Germany's indiscriminate sea warfare it must not be assumed that Britain must waive the rights and interests she maintains under International Law.

BRITAIN IN THE ORIENT

Ambassador Safeguards Our Interests

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, was asked if adequate steps were being taken to safeguard Britain's trade position in China immediately following the cessation of hostilities.
Mr. Butler replied that the British Ambassador spends a considerable time at Chungking, where there is a permanent office of the Embassy, through which he maintains contact with the Chinese Government on all matters affecting British trade interests when he is at Shanghai or elsewhere.
The British Embassy is 1,800 miles from Chinese Headquarters, but when the Ambassador is not at Chungking there is someone of sufficient status to carry on negotiations.

WESTERN FRONT

MORE GERMANS MASSING

PARIS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It is reported that Germany is sending new divisions to the Western Front.
French military circles here refuse to get excited about this but regard it as "normal."
To-day's communique reports reduced activity.

SHOTS AT CUBAN DICTATOR

HAVANA, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Shots were fired from a car to-day at the country house of Colonel Batista, the Chief-of-Staff of the Cuban Army and virtual ruler of Cuba.
A Police Lieutenant was killed and seven people were wounded.
According to an official account, the Secret Police posted in front of Colonel Batista's house fired on a suspicious looking car, which contained Carlos Marti, a Police Lieutenant under the former Machado regime, and Silvio Salazar, wanted by the Police in connection with the wounding of Senator Ferrera, the deputy as he was entering the Constituent Assembly a few days ago.
Both were shot dead.

£100,000,000 IN SAVINGS

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King has sent a message of congratulation to Sir Robert Kindersley, President of the National Savings Committee, on the sum of £100,000,000 having been reached in National Savings Certificates and Defence Bonds investments in the first 100 days of the campaign which opened on November 22.
The King, in thinking war time savers, says "It is a fine example of the determination of my people to dedicate their energies and their resources to winning victory and peace."

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 4 (UP).—The hearing of the Roosevelt divorce case has been postponed until Thursday owing to the illness of the chief witness, Mr. Cushing.

Apology To Belgium

Nazis Offer Indemnity For Air Raids

BRUSSELS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The German Ambassador to Brussels called on M. Spaak, Foreign Minister, to-day to apologise for the incident which occurred on Saturday in which a Nazi bomber shot down two Belgian planes over Belgian territory, killing the pilot of one machine.

Germans' Excuse
The German excuse is that the German machine had been in combat with seven British fighters over France and the pilot was not aware that he was over Belgian territory.
He mistook the British type Belgian planes for British fighters.
The German Ambassador told M. Spaak that German airmen had been instructed not to fly over neutral countries, and he offered to consider any indemnity which the Belgian Government might demand.

Not Satisfactory
This Nazi excuse is not likely to satisfy Belgian public opinion as the German plane was close to the Belgian machines which surrounded it when it opened fire.
It is also noted that German machines frequently fly over Belgium on their way to France and on the particular day of the incident more Nazi machines roared over Belgium including Brussels where anti-aircraft guns went into action and Belgian fighters went up to meet them.

VIBORG BECOMES NEW WARSAW AS FINNS CONTEST EVERY INCH

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still holding, at any rate, a part of the city of Viborg. Finnish troops are now entrenched in new defensive positions behind the town.
The anxiety at Helsinki about the position at Viborg and the situation generally was somewhat relieved to-night by news of the Russian retreat from Nautsi and the Finnish successes at Kollanjoiki and elsewhere mentioned in the communique. Furthermore, there are signs that March snowfall is beginning.

The temperature at Helsinki to-night is only slightly below zero.
Evacuation Horror
Terrible conditions among the children from the extreme eastern front are revealed in a report by Dr. and Mrs. Leppo, who have investigated conditions in the Oulu province. Their report states that the evacuated children are forced to travel by night and under other exposed conditions. Many are hatless and stockinged, and 40 per cent. of them are ill with measles, bronchitis or pneumonia, while 755, representing 11 per cent. have died.

The Hoover Committee to-day initiated a plan for the immediate despatch of six ambulance units and medical supplies for the children.
The Committee state that they urgently need funds.

Attempt To Cross Ice SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (UP).—An official communique issued to-day states that the Finns have repulsed the Russian attempt to cross the Bay of Viborg.
The communique states that attacks between the Bay of Viborg and Vuoksi have been repelled with heavy Russian losses.

Enemy attacks were made at Pitkanen, a sector on the north-east of Lake Ladoga.
Enemy attacks at Kollanjoiki were repulsed and 1,200 Russians were killed.
The communique further states that the Russians have again withdrawn three kilometers to the north.

Attempt Repulsed
HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—An official communique issued to-day states that the enemy attempt to advance across the ice of Viborg Bay was repulsed.

The Soviet attacks between Viborg Bay and Vuoksi have been broken. The enemy made several attacks round Ayrapan but had to retreat with heavy losses.
Artillery on both sides was lively in the east of Karelian Isthmus especially at Taipale.

Enemy attacks towards Pitkanen on the north-east of Lake Ladoga were beaten back.

The fighting continued all day at Kollanjoiki, the enemy losing 1,200 men.
The Finns have captured the enemy supporting post in the Kuhmo region.
At Petsamo the enemy retreated northwards from Nautsi about a mile and a half.

Red Air Raids HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).

To-day's communique states that the air force bombed a concentration of enemy troops and Soviet columns. Soviet planes bombed a number of places, including Wilmantrano, where serious damage was done. No casualties are hitherto reported.
Four Soviet planes were brought down and two others are believed to have been brought down.

Hawkins Arrives At Montevideo

MONTEVIDEO, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The British cruiser, Hawkins, with Rear Admiral Sir Henry Harwood, has arrived here for a one-day visit. It is understood that no fuel or supplies will be taken aboard.

SHAKESPEARE (12-years-Old) HAS A POEM FOR HITLER

London, March 4 (UP).

At a speech to-day in connection with the Anglo-American Community Chest at the Dorchester Hotel, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, read a song written by his 12-year old son.

The song is entitled "To Hitler." Mr. Shakespeare explained that it should be sung to the tune of "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean."

"Maybe you could give this to Mr. Churchill," said young Shakespeare to his father.

"My U-boats are under the Ocean.
My Graf Spee is under the Sea.
Hitler is in a commotion
Oh! don't mention Churchill to me."

OBITUARY

Dr. Karl Muck Passes Away

Conductor Who Was Interned in 1917

STUTTGART, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The death is announced here of Dr. Karl Muck, the famous German conductor.

Born at Wurzburg nearly 81 years ago, Dr. Muck took an early interest in music. When 11 years of age, he took part as a pianist in chamber music concerts and as a violinist in symphony concerts.

He attended Heidelberg University from which he later went to Leipzig to study philosophy and the classics, at the same time taking lessons at the Conservatoire.

At the age of 20, he made his debut as a solo pianist at the famous Leipzig Gewandhaus concerts.

He then became a chorus director at Zurich Town Theatre from which he went to Salzburg as conductor at the theatre.

In 1886 he was appointed first conductor at the German Theatre in Prague. He frequently visited Berlin and in 1901 was made first conductor at the Royal Opera there and later was appointed director-general of the Court Opera at Munich.

In 1912, he went to America to direct the Boston Symphony Orchestra. His great success there was cut short by the outbreak of the war and later, when America declared war, he was interned.

In 1919 he returned to Germany where he continued his work. Three years later he was appointed director of the Philharmonic concerts in Hamburg.

WELLES ON THE MOVE

U.S. Envoy Expected In London Soon

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LAUSANNE, Mar. 4 (UP).—Mr. Sumner Welles arrived here at 3.50 p.m. to-day.

He will remain here for two days after which he will entrain for Paris where he will remain for three days. He will also spend three days in London, return to Paris, from thence to Rome, and sail for the United States on March 18.

Duo At Week-end
LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Sumner Welles is expected in London about the end of the week, though his plans are still indefinite.

Arrangements for the various meetings which Mr. Welles will have with members of the Government are now being made.

Time will be allowed for some informal entertainment of Mr. Welles, who, it is also understood, wants to fill a few private engagements.

Our Guide To The Cinema

"Huckleberry Finn" (Majestic).—Mickey Rooney as the hero of Mark Twain's story, in his adventures with the runaway slave, the two confidence men, the riverboat captain, and the gentle maidens, whom he rescues from the swindlers. The lynching that he prevented by reappearing in time to prove that he had not been murdered is the climax of the picture. With Walter Connolly, William Frawley, Rex Ingram and Lynn Carver.

"Made for Each Other" (Oriental).—A glimpse, comic young married couple, starring James Stewart and Carole Lombard.

Swiss Nazis Lose Heart

ZURICH, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Swiss Nazi party has dissolved itself following the arrest of its leader on charges of spying for a foreign power. The party never did have much of a following.

LETTERS

Wants Pen Friends

To The Editor, "The Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir:—Desiring pen-friends in Hongkong, I shall be grateful if you will please favour me by publishing this letter. Do any of your readers want to correspond with a 17 year old South African girl who can write interestingly? Am interested in stamp collecting, newspapers, etc. Personal snaps of those accepting would be appreciated. I shall reciprocate with those similarly interested.

Ilse de Villiers,
41 St. Leger Road,
Claremont, C.P.,
South Africa.

NEUTRALS ATTACKED

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tons, which left the Downs yesterday for Amsterdam, has failed to arrive, and it is regarded as certain that she has been sunk.

A life-boat, life-bells and a quantity of merchandise, believed to be long to her, were found floating.

It is hoped that the crew of 12 have escaped in the ship's other boat.

36 Hours On Raft
Three survivors of the crew of five of the small Dutch coastal vessel, Elziena, which was the victim of an attack by a German bomber, were landed at a north-east coast port in England to-day after 36 hours at sea on a raft.

The master and the engineer were killed as the result of bombing and two of the survivors were injured.

The Elziena indicated her nationality by large flags painted on the side.

Survivors In New York
The Dutch liner, Maasdam, has arrived in New York with 27 sailors picked up after the Finnish steamer, Wilja, 3,390 tons, was torpedoed in the North Sea.

Annual Art Display

High Standard Maintained

Revealing a high standard of workmanship both in the western paintings and Chinese scrolls, the annual exhibition of the Hongkong Working Artists' Guild opened yesterday in St. John's Hall. The display will be open to-day from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. It comprises 182 pictures, the work of 65 exhibitors.

In the work by students of the Lingnam Art School, the Lei Ching Art College and the Hongkong Academy of Arts, landscape work is of a higher standard than life studies. The moonlight scenes on Hongkong harbour by Johnson Lee are notable for his treatment of the reflection on the water. Luis Chan exhibits a fine water colour "A Calm Morning" and other landscapes, which reveal an individual freshness.

Sunlight effects have been particularly well handled in the work of Yee Tok-chew, whose "Chinese Fan" is a delightful study. He also exhibits a colourful landscape.

G. V. Smirnov exhibits several harbour scenes with junk, under sail. Producing almost the effect of a poster these are most colourful scenes.

Erne Freedlander exhibits some of her modernistic work, including an impressionistic work "Fancy and Trunks of Trees," beautifully executed with junk, harbour and other scenes.

Exhibited by Mrs. Milch Borman and Mrs. MacFadyen exhibits a head study and also some rough sketches suggesting posters for the anti-tuberculosis campaign.

In the Chinese style painting Chiu Shiu-nong, principal of the Lingnam Art School, exhibits his "Clear" and his wife also shows several paintings. "Winter," by Lee Shook-nong is a most beautiful study of trees mantled with snow.

One notable exhibitor is Chau Chuk-kwan who is more than 60 years old. His work "An Historic Building" is a most imaginative and inspired Chinese landscape.—H.W.M.

Y.W.C.A. Broadcast

Dr. Irene Ho Tung, broadcast last night over ZBW on the work of the Young Women's Christian Association. She stressed the world-wide extent of this women's movement which began in England over 80 years ago and now exists in over 60 countries. In China it is a national movement with a history of over 40 years.

She showed how the Y.W.C.A. seeks to help women prepare themselves for community service as informed and responsible citizens. She spoke in detail of the work of the Hongkong and Canton Y.W.C.A. and urged the community to support the Y.W.C.A. in its current campaign, of which Lady Pollock is the Honorary Chairman.

FLOWER DAY

The Hongkong Chinese Women's Club held a Flower Day on February 3, when a total of \$5,611.11 was collected. The group collecting the most were as follows:—To Shuk Girls' School, \$424.90; S. C. Industrial Centre for Refugees, (sponsored by the Club), \$390.80; and Chinese National War Orphanage, \$320.00. Of the individual collectors the following ladies collected the highest amount:—Miss Betty Cheung, \$140; Mrs. Rose Chow, \$130.64; and Mesdames Ho Wing and Ho Leung, \$95.

CARVE UP OF POLAND

Russo-Nazi Commission Completes Work

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
MOSCOW, Mar. 4 (UP).—It is announced that the Soviet-German Border Commission has completed the demarcation of the boundary in Poland.

The Commission was set up on October 8 last year pursuant with the Soviet-German Treaty. It operated from six cities with Sub-Commissions consisting of 100 men each. The boundary is formed by 820 posts one kilometre apart.

The Commission is now drawing up maps and drafting a special frontier pact and a convention regulating border traffic and river navigation.

3,000 Border Posts
MOSCOW, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The mixed Soviet-German Border Commission set up on October 5 last year to demarcate Soviet-German frontier has now finished its survey.

Nearly 3,000 border posts have been driven in.
The new frontier now has to be ratified by both governments.

RESCUE LINER STRAFED AND BOMBED BY NAZIS

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Six other Europeans were overcome and washed off the raft. Junior Engineer Dun, of Kelly, Fife, who was in the engine room when the first bomb exploded, received a broken leg and severe burns but crawled along the terrace, then along the length of the ship and clambered up a 40 ft. ladder to the poop.

He lowered himself overboard on the chance of being picked up but died after being rescued.

Terrible Fire
The Chief Officer of the vessel, Mr. Brawn, described the scenes after the liner had been bombed and set on fire.

He said that it was a terrible fire and the fumes, added to the heavy seas, made rescue work very difficult. The last he saw of Captain W. Litt was as he stood on the bridge. He went to report to the Captain that the vessel was on fire and the Captain then gave orders to abandon ship.

They managed to get all boats off, but one was damaged by a bomb explosion.

As the bomber finally departed, the anti-aircraft gun crew, but did not hit them.

The Indian passengers, who were all seamen who had been employed in German ships, were naturally frightened, but their behaviour throughout was good and there was no panic.

Lashed Together
Mr. Brawn said that the last to leave the ship were the butcher and himself. He lashed the butcher to the same rope as himself and together they jumped for it. They were in the water five or ten minutes before being pulled across to a warship.

The Third Officer, Mr. J. A. Taylor, said that after being blown out of his bunk he dashed to his action station at the anti-aircraft gun, but they fired only one round before the Heinkel had finished her bombing and flown away after a final burst of machine-gun fire.

EVADED POSTAL CENSORSHIP

BOMBAY, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Two German women, a Dutch woman and four Italian women have been sentenced to one day's imprisonment each for evading postal censorship.

One of the German women wrote letters mentioning troopship movements.

Bank Lends N.Z. £1,000,000

WELLINGTON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the Bank of New Zealand has lent the Government £1,000,000 free of interest for the duration of the war and six months afterwards.

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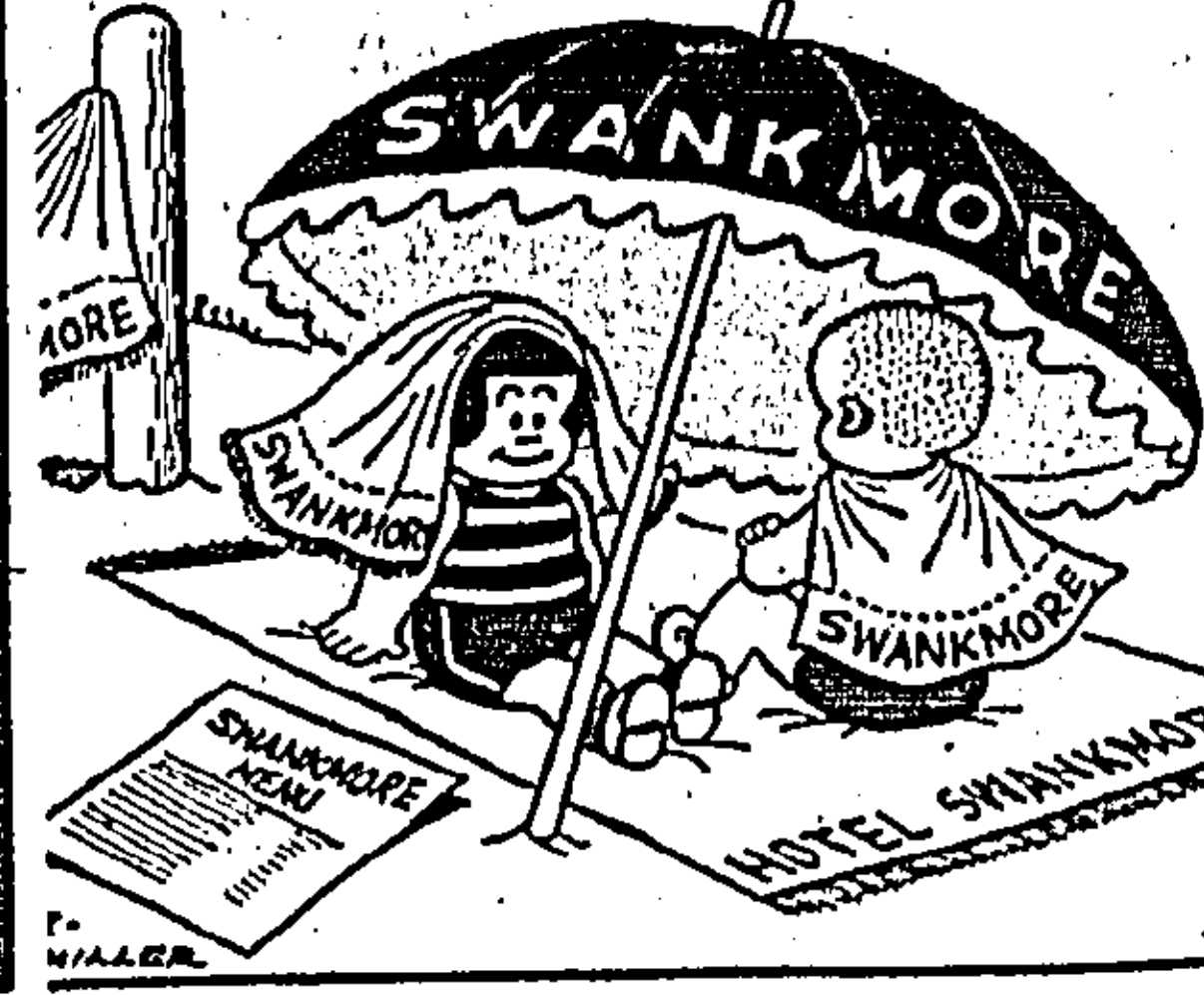
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NANCY



BRITAIN HAS BIG ARMY READY IN NEAR EAST

Two-Hour March Past To-day

CAIRO. BY camel, car, tank and on foot, crack units of the Egyptian and British armies are converging on Cairo across the desert for their biggest mass parade of the war.

For more than two hours detachments will march past General Weygand, Commander-in-Chief of the French forces in the Near East, who is flying to Cairo from Syria.

Following the parade there will be a series of conferences between General Weygand, General Sir Archibald Wavell, British C-in-C, Middle East, and Egyptian leaders on strategy in the Near East.

General Weygand will inspect Britain's second biggest army—an army which the Empire has been quietly training in the desert for six months past.

Little has been said of it to date, but I can tell you now some of the things Weygand will hear and see, says a "Daily Express" Staff Reporter. I flew down to Egypt from Malta over nearly 1,000 miles of the Mediterranean, past patrolling British warships and past Italian Libya, with its scattered frontier outposts.

It is troops all the way—dark-skinned gunners at Malta; Italian riflemen strung along the twenty-fifth degree of longitude, where Mussolini has erected a barbed-wire fence to mark the border between Egypt and Libya; Egyptian troops just across the frontier in a dry watercourse on the coast at Sollum; then more British again at Mersa Matruh, the place where Cleopatra used to bathe, and so on through the desert to Alexandria and Cairo.

General Weygand will find British warships steaming on patrol out of Alexandria and down the Suez Canal.

New Army

He will find, too, a new British Army on the banks of the Canal and out into the desert past the Pyramids—men new to the desert from the ruins of England and from the upland plains of India, who in six months have built themselves roads and tent cities in the sand.

I drove for miles to-day through one Indian encampment, where the men have made a football field, tent workshops, a talkie theatre, canvas canteens and comfortable messes floored with baked Nile mud and warmed at night by brick fireplaces.

The old spectacular Camel Corps have been replaced for the most part by balloon-tired trucks and armoured cars camouflaged in a way that makes them indistinguishable from a few miles away, despite the hot, brilliant light of the desert.

The Indians, especially, some of whom never saw either sea or desert before this war, have adjusted themselves to camp life, and they are popular with the Egyptians.

Near their camp is the spot where General Weygand will meet General Sir Archibald Wavell and watch the parade to-morrow of the sand dunes.

Over the tops of the sand dunes stands the "world's best air-raid shelter," the Tomb of Cheops, lying in the centre of the Great Pyramid.

On Camels

British Tommies were swarming up it when I went out there to-day. Others were looting round the Sphinx astride camels. They are almost the only tourists Egypt sees these days. Suez Canal traffic has dropped, too. Only about a dozen ships go up and down daily now—mostly

A BOMBING SQUADRON SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE



FRENCH airmen ready to take off on a bombing flight over Germany from a base "Somewhere in France."—Domest.

Finnish Holder of British Running Record Wounded Now Off to America to Run

TAISTO MAEKI, Finnish holder of four world middle and long-distance running records, has been wounded in the shoulder in the fighting against Russia. He is to spend the leave he has been given—says Roland Allen—in America, running at athletic meets organised for the American Finnish Fund.

With Maeki, as manager and trainer, will go the famous Paavo Nurmi, greatest long-distance runner of all time.

Nurmi retired in 1935, after 23 years on the track, and devoted his time to coaching Finnish Olympic teams.

Wino Store Proprietor

Maeki, who runs a wine store in Helsinki when he is not fighting in the Finnish Army or smashing world records, has, I believe, arrived at Stockholm, with Nurmi, ready to embark for America.

On Saturday, August 5, last year Maeki ran in the Rangers' sports at Glasgow and clipped 5.8 seconds off the British three-mile record of 14min. 15sec.

Maeki, blue eyed, close-cropped curly head, stands less than five and a half feet and runs with short, incredibly swift strides. World records he holds are at two and three miles, 6,000 metres and 10,000 metres.

British: Nothing for or from the Nazis passes through the canal.

Five months ago the Allied navies closed in on that bottleneck, and Germany's great trade with the East was strangled overnight.

To the Egyptian forces themselves, commanded by King Farouk, who will be twenty this week, these past six months have been as valuable as the twelve months succeeding Munich were to Britain.

Recollect that in 1914 we had no armies, Palestine and Syria, since they were in enemy hands. Remember, too, that Turkey was then our enemy instead of our friend, and you can gauge from this how much better the Allied position is now.

HENRY (75) FORGOT THAT 56-45=11

CARDIFF. "FORTY-FIVE from 56 leaves 11," said the sergeant, and scratched his head. He put the problem down in writing. Here was Henry D. Rees, who said he was 56. And yet he had a son of 45.

"Queer" reflected the sergeant. "He must have been a father when he was a boy of 11 in a schoolboy's cap."

Henry, who had come to draw his pay after three weeks' service, looked sad.

Actresses Arrested

Wearing Trousers In B.E.F. Zone

By PETER LAWLESS

Daily Telegraph War Correspondent

WITH THE R.A.F. IN FRANCE.

Three young actresses who went shopping in a town in the B.E.F. zone recently were arrested on suspicion of being spies—because they wore men's trousers.

They were Miss Betty Bucknell, principal boy, Miss Freda Pettitt and Miss Ann Angela, of an Aladdin company, which is over here giving shows to the troops and airmen. They were out shopping with two male members of the company, when two plain clothes police officers asked them to go to police headquarters.

When the young women asked the reason they were told: "You are wearing disguise and you think you are spies." No amount of arguing in the street did any good, and the five artists went along with the detectives.

An hour later, after the services of an official interpreter, had been obtained, the police chief accepted the explanation of the three suspects. He offered them wine and sent them back to their hotel. The actresses were told that it constituted a suspicious act for young women to wear men's trousers in provincial towns.

"Seventy-five, sir," Henry's days in the Royal Defence Corps were over.

In Two Wars

But Henry, who fought both in the last war and the Boer War, was not beaten yet. He heard the R.A.F. were short of waiters. He hurried off to the recruiting office from his home in Promeroy-street, Cardiff.

"How old are you?" came the question.

Henry clicked his heels, saluted. "Fifty-six, sir," he said.

For a month Henry waited on airmen. Then his secret was discovered.

Henry's plans for the future? Just to get into a labour corps bound for France.

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MONGREL ENGLISH

MR. HERBERT ON WHITEHALL LANGUAGE

Mr. A. P. Herbert, in a recent broadcast talk, criticized the bad language of Government departments and "other lofty places." By "bad language," he said, he did not mean abuse or blasphemy, but language that was badly chosen or employed; rotten, inefficient, ineffective, unsuitable, and even dangerous language.

In this war, said Mr. Herbert, words mattered more than ever. No one who delighted in the power and precision of Mr. Winston Churchill's broadsides would say that "words don't matter." And it was no accident that the same statesman, who in speech had scored so many bull's eyes, was fixed as well in the public mind as a rock in purpose and a dynamo in action.

"He has shown you that it is not necessary to speak of big things in long, woolly words. Some of us knew this before, but to others it has come with a shock of surprise, and that shows how low we have sunk in the world of words."

"You have learned in recent years to expect any speech or writing about public affairs to be bulging with words like bolsters, and phrases like feather beds—fat Latin words, like 'reconditioning' and 'decontamination'; phrases like 'the coordination of our economic resources' or 'mutual bilateral non-aggression.' So, when Mr. Churchill concludes an address with that simple but electric passage: 'Man the ships, fill the fields, sweep the mines, guard the streets, kiss the girls' and so on, you sit up and say, 'My hat! all this means something after all. Moreover, this man understands us.'"

Flabby Words

Mr. Herbert said he had no quarrel with the King's Ministers about their own utterances. The Prime Minister, Sir John Simon, and others in their different styles were masters of concise and lucid statement, and never wasted a word. We were, however, entitled to suspect the character and competence of any department, any party, any politician, who stuffed the public mind with woolly, knobby, half-baked, flabby, or slushy words.

In this war he thought the classic example was "evacuation," and all the nasty litter of mongrel expressions which had sprung up round it—"evacuee" and "self-evacuating person," "re-evacuation," and so on.

"No doubt about it," Mr. Herbert said, "this was a wanton and brutal crime against good sense and the King's English, committed by the King's Government."

Evacuate meant to make empty—quite empty. The Government's policy was to disperse the people, and he would have called those who had to go "scatterers," a good old English word, or "scatterees," a bad word, but better than "evacuees."

"Let us want to speak of 'rat catching' do not let us say 'deratization,' as our officials and scamen have to do to-day in every harbour of the kingdom. When we mean no more than 'cleansing,' why say and make the nation say 'decontamination'? I have even met and shuddered at the word 'recontamination.'"

"Let us, where we can, preserve and honour the fire, the force, the freshness of our tongue with such reasonable contributions as we require from others. In that tongue, after all, great things can be said in few and slender words."

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

"Nothing of any particular note took place during to-day's moderate trading."

Buyers

Canton Ins. \$227 1/2
Fires Ins. \$187 1/2
Wharves \$103 1/2
Providents \$9 1/2
H.K. Mors 2 1/2 cts.
Yamutai Perries \$27
China Lights (Old) \$8.00
China Lights (New) \$8.40
Electricity \$87 1/2

Sellers

Electricity \$68.35
Daily News (Old) \$23 1/2
Watsons \$9.80

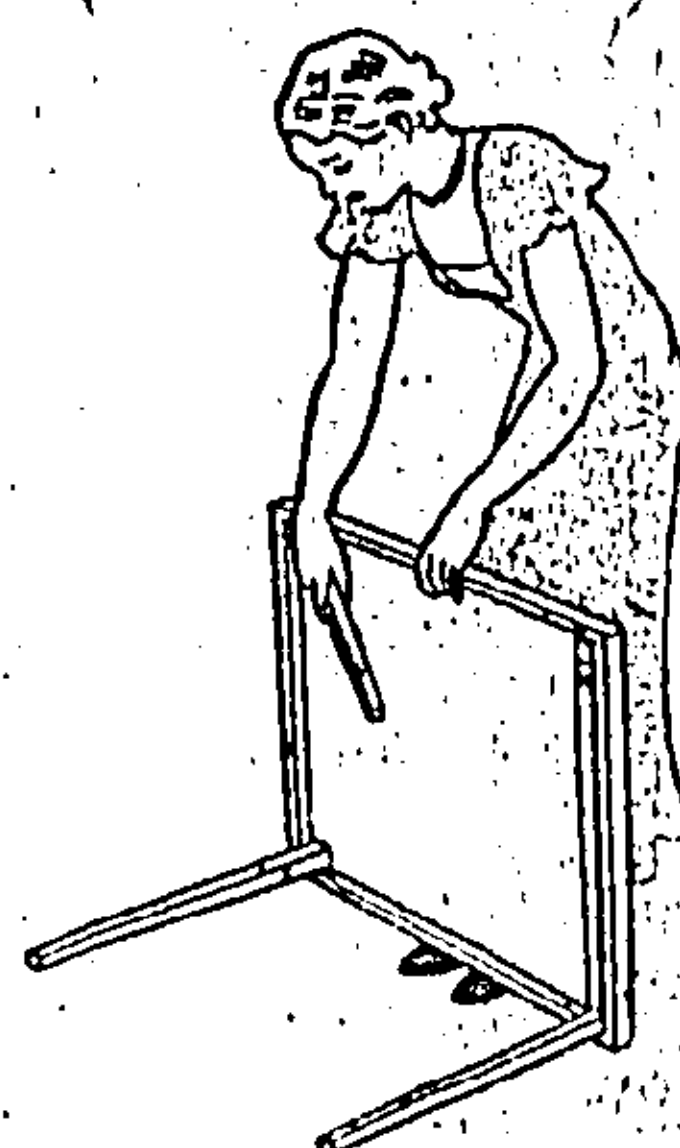
Sales

H.K. Bank \$1.445
Providents \$5.20/5.17 1/2
China Lights (Old) \$8 1/2
China Lights (New) \$8.40/35
Electricity \$80/88 1/2
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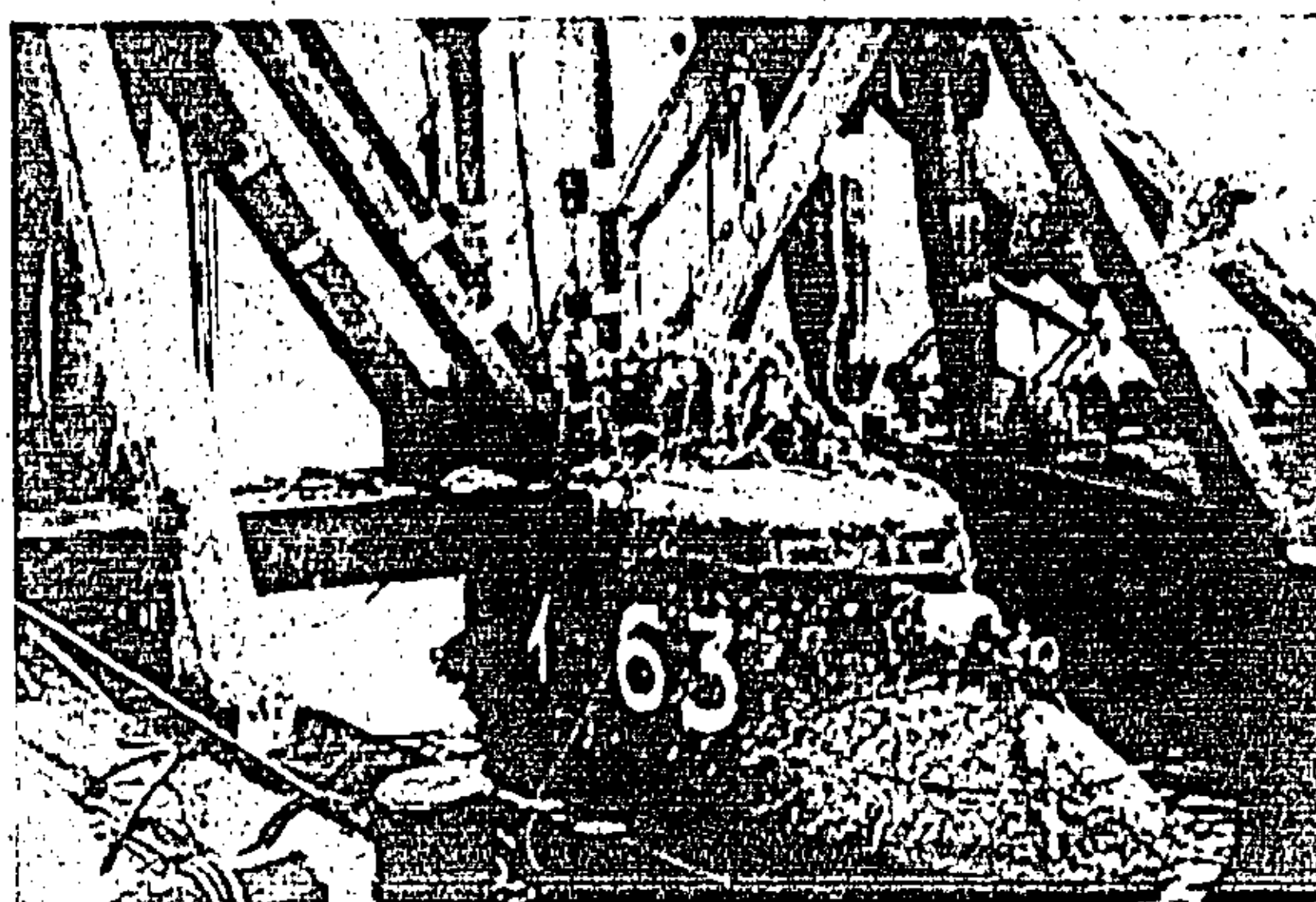
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Sphinx Survivor Tells How Ship Went Down Her Own Oil Was Peril To Swimming Men

WITH bombs raining on them and machine-gun bullets spreading death, the crew of the minesweeper Sphinx went to their posts and about their duties as though on peace-time manoeuvres.

The story of their heroism, not only during the attack, but also when they were struggling in the sea after the Sphinx had capsized, was told by an able-seaman survivor.

JAPANESE SUB. SALVAGED



A FINE FEAT of salvage was successfully concluded by the Japanese Navy which recently raised Submarine 63, lost with all hands in a collision with a destroyer. The conning tower of the vessel is shown in photograph above.—Domet.

PRINCE MICHAEL IS READY TO MARRY

NOW that Prince Michael of Rumania has come of age—it's eighteen, not twenty-one, for royalty—his countrymen are wondering who will be chosen as his wife and their future queen.

Nothing has been disclosed by the royal family, but people close to the Court believe that King Carol is seriously considering the twin daughters of his cousin, Prince Frederick Victor, head of the house of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen.

Some of the more romantically inclined in Bukarest say Carol has suggested that Michael should choose one of the twins and that the Prince is studying their photographs, unable to make up his mind.

They are the Princess Marie Antoinette and the Princess Marie Aldegonde, just turned nineteen and eight months older than Michael. Marie was Michael's grandmother's name. Michael, a healthy, handsome, dimpled Prince, was made a Senator, member of the Rumanian Academy and a Lieutenant in the Army on his eighteenth birthday.

His steady bearing as he attended the funeral of the assassinated Premier Armand Calinescu, clad in a white cape, impressed Rumanians deeply, says Associated Press.

When he assumes the Crown, Michael will be the only King in history to have preceded and succeeded his father on the throne.

Iron Guard Plot

On the death of his grandfather, King Ferdinand, in 1927, Michael became King under a Regency. Carol was in exile in France, having renounced his rights to the succession when he left Rumania rather than give up his friend Mme. Magda Lupescu.

In 1930 Carol returned, gained the throne and Michael became Crown Prince.

In his days as Boy King Michael was supposed to be under the influence of his grandmother, the late Queen Marie. Carol is credited with breaking that influence when he returned. He gave Michael new tutors,

and began to teach him the art of kingship according to his own ideas.

Then anti-Carol Iron Guardists are said to have tried to control the young Prince through one of his tutors with a view to assassinating Carol and placing the boy again on the throne as their puppet. Carol dismissed the tutor and smashed the conspiracy.

Michael has had a stern education. He rises early, lives simply and spends long hours in study.

Youthful Escapade

He has mastered Rumanian, French, German and English.

Michael loves sports, especially ski-ing, tennis and riding. One of his sports companions has been Mlle. Lulu Malaxa, young daughter of Rumania's biggest industrialist. Despite his father's watchful eye and the strict discipline imposed on Michael, it is reported in Bukarest that at a Boy Scout camp last summer he got into a youthful scrape, which had to be paid for by State funds.

King Carol, aroused by the escapade, is said to have punished his son with two weeks' imprisonment in one of the royal castles.

Michael is his father's heir, but not his eldest son. Carol has a twenty-year-old son, legitimate but morganatic, living in France. He is Alexander, the son of Zizi Lambrinu, with whom Carol eloped during the last war and whom he married in Odessa.

The twin Princesses of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen live at the Chateau of Sigmaringen, in Germany.

He lives at Lound, (Suffolk). He said:

"Two bombers attacked us from out of the clouds, but there was not the least sign of panic. Everyone went about his job."

"One bomb must have killed Commander J. R. N. Taylor and four of the men."

Deck Curled Over

"The whole of the foredeck was thrown into the air by a bomb and it curled right backwards in one great piece over the middle of the ship."

"When the planes left us after 20 minutes, another vessel began to tow us, but early next morning the tow-ropes broke."

"The seas were heavy, and we tossed about, unable to use our engines except for reversing."

"We tried to keep her head into the wind, but had only our steering gear to rely on, and then—it happened in a minute—a wave from the side capsized us."

"I just flung off my shoes and was in the sea. I saw men going down with the ship. Others were clinging to cars in the icy water."

He Never Made It

"Heads were bobbing all around me in the darkness. It was terrible. To try and save the ship by calming the seas, we had let out our fuel oil. This now began to get into our mouths."

"Your only chance was to hold your breath when one wave came and take your chance of breathing in the trough. Even so, the oil made us cough."

"One man near me left an oar to swim to a plank. He never made it. Some of the crew were calling out about their people left at home. Then a great light shone, and I realized it was a searchlight. I swam into the beam until a line came into my hands."

The Lost Watch

"I pulled it around my shoulders and was hauled into a ship, where I collapsed."

"They told me that 44 men had been pulled out of the water."

"I do not think I should have come through if I had not kept telling myself how good it would be to get back to safety."

The sailor added that he lost a watch given him by his mother on his nineteenth birthday, just before the ship sailed.

LATE NEWS

(Continued from Page 1.)

beneath his feet as the ship broke into two.

The Captain did not give up, but jumped to the stern half, hoping that the tanker's engines were intact.

Used School Atlas

After a number of adventures, not the least of which was the picking up of 13 men who had got away from the bow half. These men were rescued in a gale.

Captain Smaller managed to navigate his ship with the aid of a school atlas for 100 miles. He had no wireless.

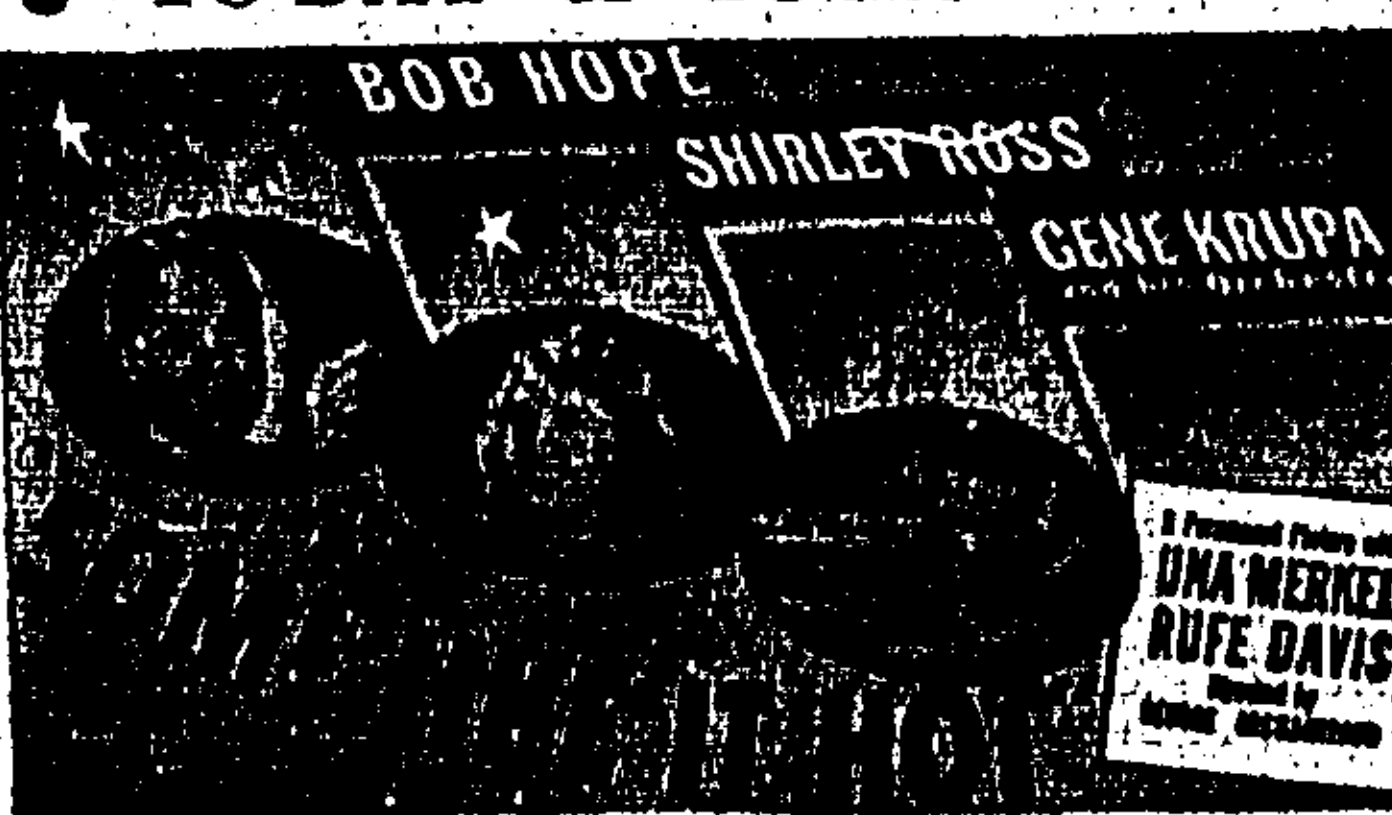
Three days later, a warship came alongside, but the Captain would not give up and tried steering his ship stern first. She did not respond and went around in circles.

Next morning another warship and a tug arrived, and with a little help the captain managed to bring his ship into port.

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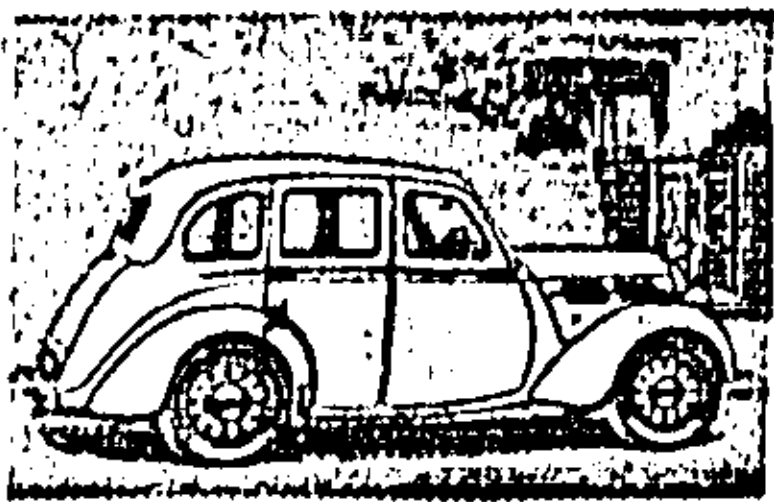
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Tanker Cut In Half Amazing Story Of Crew's Feat

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Half of the British tanker, Imperial Transport, is now safe in Scotland after having been cut into two by a U-boat.

Captain Smalles, a Yorkshireman, was on the bridge when the U-boat fired its torpedo.

He said that there was a terrific explosion and a mountain of water covered the ship from stem to stern. Part of the bridge disappeared beneath his feet as the ship broke into two.

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Captain Smalles managed to navigate his ship with the aid of a school atlas for 100 miles. He had no wireless.

Three days later, a warship came alongside, but the Captain would not give up and tried steering his ship stern first. She did not respond and went around in circles.

Next morning another warship and a tug arrived, and with a little help the Captain managed to bring his ship into port.

Little Less Unemployed

Britain's Latest Official
Figures

LONDON, Mar. 5 (British Wireless).—Ministry of Labour figures reveal that the total unemployed on February 12 stood at 1,504,100, which was a drop of 14,700 compared to the figures on January 15, and a drop of 302,018 compared to February 13 last year.

The Ministry of Labour points out that the effect of the long continued frost and snow prior to the date of their last count had a still greater adverse effect on employment than when the previous count was taken in January.

Thus between January 15 and February 12 the numbers of wholly unemployed and casuals fell by 90,145, while the numbers of temporarily employed increased by 659,349.

R.A.F. Issue Profit & Loss Account

BRITAIN WINNING WAR IN THE AIR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 4 (UP).—The Royal Air Force has officially announced a "profit and loss" account for the first six months of the war, which shows a credit balance of 56 planes.

The R.A.F. have lost 43 planes in attacks on German naval bases, harbours, docks and mine laying bases, while two machines have been shot down on the German side of the Slegfried Line.

Against this no less than 101 Nazi machines have been shot down, including 31 fighting planes.

Altogether 42 German planes have been brought down on the Western Front and over Heligoland Bight, the other 59 being downed in raids over the east and northeast coast of England.

The Fleet Air Arm and naval gunners have also made their toll of air aeroplanes, claiming that they have shot down thirteen.

Wartime losses in terms of cash are estimated at £3,000,000.

LIFE IN A BRITISH SUBMARINE



NO WONDER THEY ARE SMILING.—They've just received a welcome opportunity for enjoying the fresh air and sunshine.—Photograph passed by the Censor.

ATTACKS U-BOAT

R.A.F. Plane Believes
Venture Successful

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that an enemy submarine was attacked in Schilling Roads at the mouth of the River Elbe by an aircraft of the Air Force and is believed to have been destroyed.

The aircraft was on reconnaissance duty when the submarine was sighted in shallow waters on the surface. Four bombs were dropped, one of which registered a direct hit between the conning tower and the stern.

After the attack, the submarine was seen to be enveloped in a cloud of greyish-black smoke with only the upper part of its conning tower visible above water.

Official Communiqué
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
LONDON, Mar. 5 (UP).—The Air Ministry has announced that a reconnaissance plane of the Royal Air Force yesterday bombed a German submarine in the Schilling Roads.

The submarine is believed to have been destroyed.
The official communiqué reads as follows:—
PLEASE Turn To Page 7.



THE SPIRIT OF THE NAVY.—On the conning tower above their comrades are keeping a good look-out for any emergency.—Photograph passed by the Censor.

HONGKONG STEAMER SUNK BY U-BOAT ACTION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 5 (UP).—For the first time since the outbreak of hostilities, a Hongkong-registered steamer has been attacked and sunk by U-boat action.

The victim is the 10,516 motor-vessel, Charles F. Meyer, owned and operated by the Oriental Tankers Ltd., of Union Building, Hongkong.

The Charles F. Meyer is the latest of a fleet of new tankers purchased by the Hongkong company.

The tanker is, in addition, the largest tanker in the company's fleet, all of whose vessels have been launched since 1935 and is, incidentally, the largest ship registered in Hongkong.

Only brief details are as yet to hand. The tanker was attacked off the south-east coast of England and, as details were flashed to Hongkong, was slowly sinking.

The crew had already abandoned the ship and lifeboats were setting out from the coast to rescue them.

By a peculiar irony, the Charles F. Meyer was built in Germany. She was launched at the Blohm and Voess yards in Hamburg to the order of the Hongkong company in 1938 and went into service about six months before the outbreak of war in Europe.

It is believed that she made one or two trips to Hongkong before the war. Since September, however, she has been engaged in the trans-Atlantic service.

Freighter Being Chased
NEW YORK, Mar. 5 (UP).—Mackay-Radio has intercepted an urgent SOS from the 5,841-ton British freighter, Elcervo, stating that she is being chased by a submarine in latitude 22.10 north, longitude 51.28 west, or approximately 1,000 miles east of the Virgin Islands. No further details are available.

Red Cross Fund Now £1,192,000

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wireless).—The Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund, increased by £10,000 today and now stands at £1,192,000. Gifts to-day included £1,700 from the Mayor of Pietmaritzburg, Natal.

DOOMED BATTALION WILL HOLD OUT TO LAST MAN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 5 (UP).—THE DEFENCE OF VIBORG, WHICH IS NOW ENTERING ITS SECOND WEEK, MAY RANK IN HISTORY WITH THE HEROIC POLISH DEFENCE OF WARSAW LAST SEPTEMBER.

With the main Finnish Army already evacuated to new defensive positions three miles north of the shattered city, the fight against the Red advance into Viborg has been left to a rearguard battalion which has been told to hold out to the last man.

No quarter is given on either side.

Attempts by the Russians to cross the Bay of Viborg in order to reinforce the attack on the city were repulsed with heavy Russian losses and a Finnish communiqué last night claimed that attacks between Viborg Bay and Vuoksen had also been broken.

STILL IN FINN HANDS

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The main part of Viborg is still in Finnish hands although the Soviets are said to be gradually encircling the city.

The Finns are making the Russians fight every inch of the way and the Russians are having to die heavily for what is now a completely ruined city.

There has been fighting in the southern suburbs of Viborg while the main body of Finnish troops are retreating in good order and according to plan are retreating to new defences in the north-west of the city.

These defences are at their deepest point three miles from Viborg and the same length as the original Mannerheim Line.

The Russians are also reported to be applying heavy pressure at the centre of the Mannerheim Line.

At East Taipale, the Finns have dispersed the Soviet forces who were attempting to concentrate for an attack and in this area the Russians have not gained an inch for a week.

Anxiety In Helsingfors

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Finns to-night appear to be PLEASE Turn To Page 7.

NEW HOPE FOR THE BALKANS

Find Encouragement In
Finns Resistance

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Finland's heroic fight has altered the whole atmosphere in the Balkans and has made it hopeful again, declared the former Colonial Secretary, Mr. L. S. Amery, addressing a meeting of the Near and Middle East Association.

At this meeting the audience included many members of the Diplomatic Corps.

The Balkan nations have seen that if a small people like the Finns can make such a magnificent fight, there is a good hope that the Balkans can save themselves if they stand together.

Britain's Wish

Dealing with the German aims, Mr. Amery said that she might consider that economic overlordship was enough, but on the other hand she might need, for example, all of Rumania's oils and not merely that part for which she could afford to pay.

"As for Britain, our wish is that the Balkans may be spared the horrors of war. The war must end with a situation in which it is impossible for the Germans to make another attempt to dominate Europe.

"For the sake of permanent peace, it is essential that the Balkans be united in one or more commonwealths that can work amicably together."

LATEST

See Back Page For
Further Late News

Western Front Hardships Described

WEATHER SO COLD FOOD IS FROZEN

By MILES HANDLER

UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WITH THE FRENCH FORCES IN THE FIELD,

Mar. 4 (UP).—The hardships undergone by men holding exposed positions on the Western Front is hardly realised by civilians comfortably housed in the rear.

During my visit to advanced posts, the temperature dropped to 25 degrees below zero Centigrade and it usually varies between 15 to 20 degrees below.

This discomfort was increased by a biting Arctic wind that, driven through all our clothing, made the men occupying positions in the forests were relatively better off than their comrades in open fields.

because the trees served as a natural wind break, and the men were able to gather around a wood or charcoal fire in the open without fear of being shot by the enemy.

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POST OFFICE

The Public are requested to note particularly the time of closing the Imperial Air Mail on Tuesday, the 5th March, 1940.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES
Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. Where mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

INWARD MAILS
Formosa, Amoy and Swatow. Mar. 5.
Straits and Saigon. Mar. 5.
Java and Manila. Mar. 5.
Japan and Shanghai. Mar. 5.
Straits. Mar. 5.
Straits and Manila. Mar. 5.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 28th Feb. Mar. 6.
Canton. Mar. 6.
Manila. Mar. 6.
Shanghai. Mar. 6.
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Saigon. Mar. 6.
Tientsin. Mar. 6.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 28th Feb. Mar. 7.

OUTWARD MAILS
Tuesday, Mar. 5
Fort Bayard. 2.30 p.m.
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya. 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai. 2.30 p.m.
Tientsin (Parcels only). 2.30 p.m.
Haiphong. 3 p.m.
Bangkok. 4.30 p.m.
Saigon and Bangkok. 6.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th March.
K.F.O.
Reg. Mar. 5, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 5, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. Mar. 5, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 5, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaysia, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 11th March.
K.F.O.
Reg. Mar. 5, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 5, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. Mar. 5, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 5, 5.30 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane 23rd March.
G.P.O. & K.F.O.
Par. Mar. 5, 5.00 p.m.
Reg. Mar. 6, 8.45 a.m.
Ord. Mar. 6, 9.30 a.m.
Wednesday, Mar. 6
Straits. 8 a.m.
Manila. 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan. 10.30 a.m.
Amoy and Shanghai. 12.30 p.m.
Airmail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 14th March.
K.F.O.
Reg. Mar. 7, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 7, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. Mar. 7, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 7, 5.30 p.m.
Thursday, March 8
Canton. 7.15 a.m.
Manila. 9.30 a.m.
Amoy. 10 a.m.
Sandakan. 12.30 p.m.
Shanghai. 2.30 p.m.
Swatow. 2.30 p.m.
Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, Marquesas and South Africa via Durban. 3.30 p.m.
Amoy. 7 p.m.
Manila. 7.00 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 14th March.
K.F.O.
Reg. Mar. 7, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 7, 5.30 p.m.
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Reg. Mar. 7, 5 p.m.
Ord. Mar. 7, 5.30 p.m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 9th March, 1940, to Saturday, 10th March, 1940, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG FO,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1940.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 4, 1890.
We learn by private advice from Shanghai that the pioneer steamer of the China Merchants' Co's fleet intended to run between Hongkong and Canton will be here within the next few days.

A shipping journal says that there seems to be a hopeless diversity of opinion in regard to the type of vessel best adapted for war purposes. It would be wiser to desire to see two or three good sea fights, but this is evidently the only way to settle the matter decisively.

Youth will be served. In the boxing match on February 7 between the veteran Jean Mace and Charley Mitchell, the latter was returned the victor after fighting thirty rounds. There can be little doubt that Mace and Mitchell are the two most scientific pugilists that ever entered the magic circle.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co. held their annual auction of discarded race ponies opposite the City Hall yesterday afternoon. I was not a success although a number of fairly useful ponies changed hands at very low prices. The highest figures were \$125 for Senator, \$55 for Caswell, and \$50 for Rayon d'Or. Some of these might have been bought in. Horse-flesh is at a discount in Hongkong just now, owing principally to the inconvenient scarcity of the merry Mexican.

25 YEARS AGO

March 4, 1915.
Reuters' correspondent at New York states that while no official announcement concerning British reprisals against Germany has been made, a statement from Washington, sent to the Press, says the impression is general in official circles that a strong protest will be made against the action of the Allies, which is regarded as unprecedented and likely to work injury to the commerce of the United States—with countries with which the United States is at peace.

10 YEARS AGO

March 4, 1930.
To the Editor, Sir—I have read with interest the report of the annual meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society held yesterday, at which appeals were made for increased public support, and I shall be grateful if you will spare me a little space for a suggestion which I feel sure will help to swell the Society's funds.

When anyone who is at all well-known dies in this Colony, hundreds of wreaths, mostly identical in shape and composition, are sent down to the Monument and subsequently, I presume, carried down to the grave where within a few hours they go rotten and are removed by the cemetery authorities. I suggest that on such occasions only near relatives or great friends should send wreaths and that other people who wish to send a token of respect should send a subscription to the Hongkong Benevolent Society. The Society could assist in the collection of such sums by supplying the principal Clubs of the Colony with printed subscription lists for display whenever the occasion arose. This would serve the double purpose of helping on a good cause and doing away with an extremely distressing and undignified feature of local funerals.

5 YEARS AGO

March 4, 1935.
A further advance of farthing was registered this morning, when the Hongkong dollar opened at 1s. 11½d. The market locally is very steady, with the business rate about 2s. 0½d. and 2s. 0½d.

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"Remember when we were enemies?"
"Ah, yes, those were the good old days."
(From the Paris-Soir.)

WELLES ON THE MOVE

U.S. Envoy Expected In London Soon

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LAUSANNE, Mar. 4 (UP).—Mr. Sumner Welles arrived there at 3.50 p.m. to-day.

He will remain here for two days after which he will entrain for Paris where he will remain for three days. He will then spend three days in London, return to Paris, from thence to Rome, and sail for the United States on March 18.

Duo At Week-end

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Sumner Welles is expected in London about the end of the week, though his plans are still indefinite.

Arrangements for the various meetings which Mr. Welles will have with members of the Government are now being made.

There will be allowed for some informal entertainment of Mr. Welles, who, it is also understood, wants to fill a few private engagements.

SWITZERLAND ADVANCES MARCH 9 MOBILISATION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ZURICH, Mar. 4 (UP).—The Swiss Army Headquarters announced that about 70,000 Swiss troops originally scheduled to be called up on March 9, have been ordered to report on March 6.

No reason for the change in orders has been given.

It has been announced that the Swiss Minister to Berlin has delivered a demarche regarding the frequent attacks by the German press on Swiss newspapers.

The General Staff of the Swiss Army, as the controlling authority, has been bitterly criticised in Germany.

Bulgarian Incident

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BUCHAREST, Mar. 4 (UP).—Two Bulgarian frontier guards were killed and two Rumanian soldiers were wounded in an incident on the Rumanian-Bulgarian frontier near Chilli-Kadi to-day.

It is reported that many shots were fired in a lengthy exchange of fire in which a considerable number of armed forces was involved.

A joint Bulgarian-Rumanian Commission has been appointed to investigate the affair.

Germans in Caucasus

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Rumours of the presence of German troops in South Russia reached London last night.

The reports, which came from eastern Europe, state that two Ger-

LETTERS

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To the Editor,
"The Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir:—Desiring pen-friends in Hongkong, I shall be grateful if you will please favour me by publishing this letter. Do any of your readers want to correspond with a 17 year old South African girl who can write interestingly? Am interested in stamp collecting, newspapers, etc. Personal snaps of those accepting would be appreciated. I shall reciprocate with those similarly interested.

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THE DOCTOR LAUGHS

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said "Verra dry," so I gied him a glass o' whusky an' he's awa' back to his work."

A doctor who had been attending a very finicky patient for a long time called one day and asked how his patient was.

"I'm feeling much better to-day, doctor," said she. "The only thing that troubles me now is my breathing."

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Moscow, Mar. 4. The Soviet Command in a statement answering the Finnish note to the League of Nations says that the Finnish version of Soviet war methods is a malicious one. The statement claims that Soviet planes never bombed civilians. It denies the charge of prisoners as slaves, the use of poison gas or violation of the laws of maritime warfare.

It states that the charges will be of no more avail than the tactics of Finnish officers who, before the surrender of military positions on the Karelian Isthmus, placed Finnish soldiers against the walls and shot them for not wanting to continue fighting for a hopeless cause.—United Press.

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Well-Kept Saucepans

WELL-KEPT saucepans are the mark of a good housewife.

The first lesson in the art of well-kept saucepans is the choosing. Few realize that short, broad saucepans are more economical than the tall, narrow kind. The reason for this is that the former trap more heat than the latter, and thus use less gas.

With all saucepans, too, that the lid fits well, though not so tightly that it is a struggle to take it off. Pay careful attention to the handles, which should be round and grooved, for round handles that are not grooved slip too easily when gripped.

Assure yourself that the saucepan balances well; some light aluminium saucepans tip over, the steel handle being heavier than the pan itself. If the saucepan is very large, there should be a small handle opposite to the main one to assist in lifting when the pan is full.

Aluminium saucepans are easy to choose, for they must be made of a metal of standard purity. They should be fairly heavy and stoutly built. Enamelled saucepans must have a thick, smooth layer of enamel, without blisters or cracks, and the surface must be bright and glossy. Cast-iron saucepans should be tested like the wheels of a train, to see that there is a good "ring."

Once you have bought the saucepan see that it is kept properly. A stout wooden shelf should be made where the saucepans can be kept out of the way and free from knocks when not in use. Remember, also, to make provision for the saucepan lids.

Cleaning Methods

All housewives realize that the greatest enemy of a saucepan is an encrustation of soot, and regularly clean their saucepans. Another shortening of the saucepan's life is burning. This is very easy to do, housewives consider that if they fill the saucepan with soda and water and allow it to boil, the burn will be removed. This is not so. Although the burn will apparently come off, the next time the saucepan is used its contents will burn again.

The only way to deal with this situation is to fill the burnt saucepan with fairly strong salt and water and leave it standing all night. Then bring the contents slowly to the boil and you will find the burnt particles can be rubbed away.

Make a rule of always washing the saucepan while it is still warm. This halves the difficulties of cleaning. All saucepans are best cleaned by rubbing them with a very fine grade of steel wool.

Soda should not be used to clean aluminium saucepans unless they are rinsed immediately.

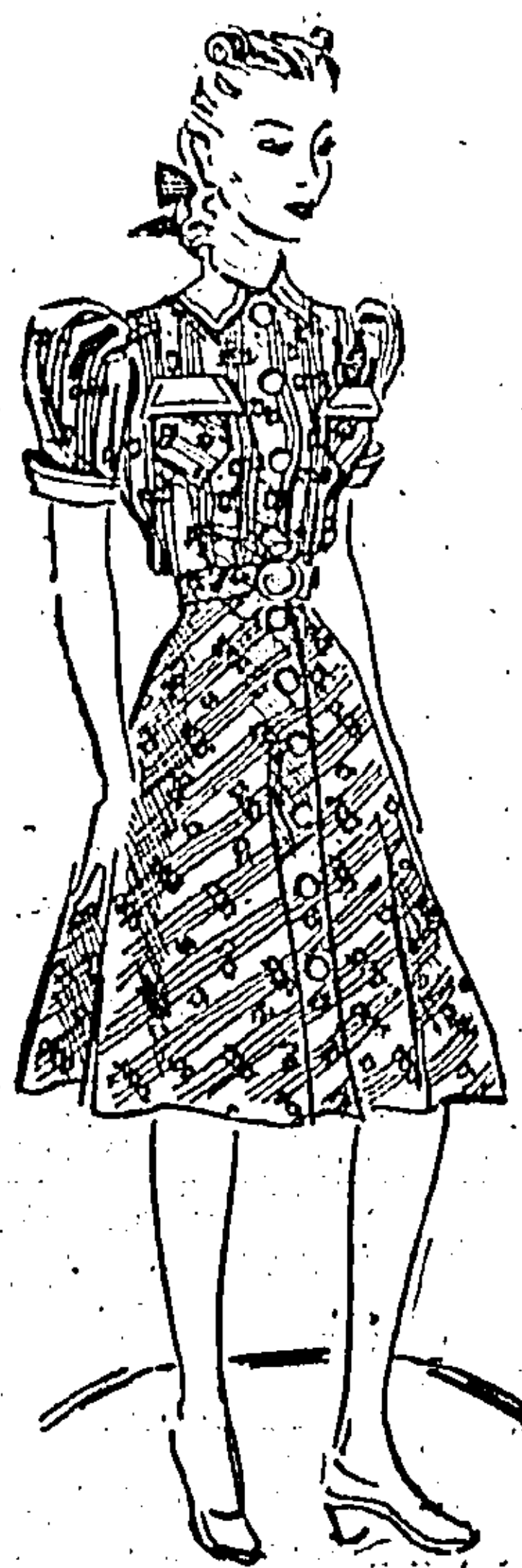
Margaret Foster.

Chocolate And Coconut Cakes

THESE cakes have the advantage of looking and tasting quite rich and expensive, whereas actually they are economical—and ration-saving. Sift together half a pound of flour, two level tablespoonfuls of cocoa, and a teaspoonful of baking powder. Add two tablespoonfuls of desiccated coconut.

In a mixing bowl cream four ounces of margarine with the same quantity of soft brown sugar and work in the dry ingredients with a beaten egg and a little milk or water as required. Turn into greased patty tins or paper cases, and bake in a hot oven for ten minutes.

If preferred, a large cake can be made with the mixture, in which case it should be baked in a moderate oven for an hour and a half.



A button-down-the-front shirtwaist dress in light green percale with red and white stripe and pink and white dash-dot pocket flaps, collar and cuffs of white pique.



To make certain that her feet will be ready for parties, this young lady gives them a refreshing rub with chilled bath "friction" after their warm soapy bath. Legs as well as feet and ankles come in for their share of the treatment.

FOOT BATHS AND CREAM MASSAGE

By JACQUELINE HUNT

YOU may have danced through the festive season, but do those toes of yours always feel like dancing now? Winter is the time for real foot ills unless the feet receive extra care. Shoes are heavier unless perfectly fitted tend to cause corns and callouses. Feet get less air and perspiration softens the tissues, leaving them more susceptible to blisters and infection.

Remember this when you walk over hard pavements, stand for hours behind a counter shifting your weight wearily from one foot to another, or hurry upstairs and down on your numerous errands. There is so much you can do to have more comfortable feet. Two or three times a week, or any time when your feet are tired and burning, give them this treatment:

Soak in tepid salt water for five minutes or more. The heat draws out the aches and weariness while the salt solution has a hardening effect on skin and tissues. Now in fresh water, scrub the feet vigorously with a brush and soap. Any good brush with not-too-stiff bristles will do. Get between the toes and scrub gently over any calloused areas.

Hot and Cold Water

The next step is the surprise. Run water as hot as you can then cold alternately over your feet. This forces out sluggish blood and brings in a fresh supply, relieving the congestion that causes swelling and aching. Finish with cold water, or dry your feet off and to be extra kind to them, end with a spraying or rub of eau de Cologne. The latter is mildly astringent, soothing and refreshing.

Drying the feet is something else that should be done with even more care. Always dry thoroughly between the toes and use the rough surface of your Turkish towel to rub away softened callouses and remove dead cuticle from the nail surface. Now you can dance half the night or be off to bed, thoroughly refreshed. Before slipping on your hose in the morning dust deodorant powder between your toes.

At least once a week, perhaps at the time when you give yourself your regular pedicure, treat your feet to a thorough massage with a rich lubricating cream. Special foot creams are soothing and refreshing, but any good cream will do. Begin with the toes, massaging each one separately and working from the tips up over the ankle. Use both hands, the thumbs on top, the fingers curled around the sides and under the foot. Give special attention to the sole of the foot. Stroke the feet gently upward, ending this part of the treatment with a rotary massage movement in the hollows on either side of the heel.

Remember your feet do not end with your ankles. Continue the massage over the calf of the leg, twisting and kneading the big muscle and stroking firmly upward with both hands encircling the leg. A favourite trick of Ginger Rogers is to finish her foot and leg massage with an ice rub. She covers the piece of ice with a square of gauze and massages thoroughly until the skin tingles. She says this is firming and slimming to her famous dancing legs. It's a refreshing trick for any girl to try.

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Fish Dishes

THIS way of cooking makes fish go twice as far—and is very delicious to eat. Have a filleted tail end of cod or 2-3 small haddocks (filleted).

Make a stuffing from four tablespoonfuls breadcrumbs, one tablespoonful chopped parsley, salt, pepper, and a pinch of cayenne. Bind together with a little milk, and form into a solid shape with the hand.

Place this inside cod—or divide amongst the fillets of haddock—roll them up, and place on greased dish. Bake in a moderate oven 30 minutes, or place fish on a greased plate, cover with greased paper, put on pan lid, and cook on top of boiling water. It will take three-quarters of an hour to an hour to cook thus. Serve with a good parsley sauce.

Yorkshire Herring Pie

This is easy to make and very tasty. Take three fresh herrings (filleted). Lay them to soak in a little salted water whilst you peel two sour apples and four potatoes. Cut the apples and potatoes into thin slices. Grease a pie-dish, and put in a layer of potatoes, then place half the herring on top. Season with salt and pepper.

Cover with a layer of apples. Fill up again with another layer of potatoes, herring, and apple. Then cover top with a thin layer of potato. Bake in a moderate oven (Reg. 5) for three-quarters of an hour.

Mock Souffle

This makes a good lunch, high tea, or supper dish. Grease a fireproof dish, and fill in a good layer of flaked haddock (or other fish).

Sprinkle generously with sieved cheddar cheese, then pour over a souffle mixture made as follows:—Cook one and a half ounces each of flour and margarine in a pan without browning, stir in half pint milk or fish stock, and stir till boiling.

Take off the fire, beat in two egg yolks, one at a time, quickly, and season with pepper and salt.

Beat up the egg whites stiffly and fold in lightly. Pour the mixture over the fish, and bake in rather a hot oven for about 20 minutes (Reg. Mark 7).—Garnish with parsley.

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Oatmeal On The Menu

GIVE porridge a trial, either for breakfast or supper, and soon it will become one of the household's favourite dishes. Here is a good recipe:—

Take 1 pint water and 2 ozs. coarse or medium oatmeal, according to taste, good pinch salt.

Draw the water fresh, pour into pan, and bring quickly to the boil. When boiling, sprinkle in the measured meal with the left hand, and keep stirring all the time with the right. When it begins to thicken, draw the pan to the side of the fire and add salt.

Simmer slowly, 30-40 minutes, stirring occasionally, or make it in a double saucepan, keeping the water in the under part boiling all the time.

Cooked in this way it requires little or no attention, and there is no fear of burning. The thickness of the porridge is very much a matter of taste. More or less oatmeal can be used if desired—though the above proportions are the general favourite. Serve with milk, or sugar, syrup, or cream.

Note:—For an invalid, it is perhaps better to soak the oatmeal overnight, as it makes it more digestible; but this alters the taste a little, so is not always so popular with people with healthy appetites.

Oatmeal Gruel

This is the season for colds, and a good, pleasant cure is a bowl of hot gruel, supped after you are safely tucked up in bed.

To make it, put 1 tablespoon oatmeal (fine) into a basin, and soak in ½ pint cold water 30-40 minutes, stirring occasionally. Then strain off the liquid into a small lined saucepan, and press the oatmeal as dry as possible. Boil 5-7 minutes. Sweeten, and add a good pat of margarine. Serve in hot bowl at once.

Thick Oatcakes

One day, when you have some leisure, make a big tin boxful of these oatcakes. They are delicious, and easy to make. Take:—

½ lb medium oatmeal,

¼ lb flour,

½ teaspoon salt,

1 teaspoon sugar,

1 teaspoon baking powder,

3 ozs. margarine or lard,

cold water.

Mix dry ingredients, rub in fat, and add enough water to make a stiff dough. Knead lightly, and roll out to ¼-inch thickness.

Cut in shapes, place on greased tin, and bake in a moderate oven 20 minutes. When cold, pack in airtight tin.

Ways With Tongue

A BOILED tongue is an ideal "stand-by" to have in the larder. It can be eaten hot or cold, and the "scraps" will make delicious sandwiches.

Or Tongue

Tongues are sold either pickled or fresh. Choose a plump looking one with a smooth skin. Wash thoroughly, and soak 1-2 hours. If pickled, soak 3-4 hours. Put into a deep pan of tepid water, bring slowly to the boil and skim. Then add a few blocks carrot, turnip, onion, and a bunch of herbs.

Cook gently for about 4 hours, or according to weight, allowing 30 minutes to each lb, and 30 minutes over. Remove from pan, place in cold water for a second. Skin, beginning under the tip. If the tongue is to be used hot, reheat in the liquor for a few minutes. It can be served with tomato or brown sauce, chestnut purée, or vegetable.

To Serve Cold

To serve cold set on a board, stick a fork or two skewers into board in front of tip, and a skewer into root; this is to get it into an arched shape. When quite cold, trim the root end, take out skewers, and brush over with a little glaze. Fix a frill round the root end.

Some of us find a tongue easier to carve if served in a round. To do this, after skinning tongue, place it in a round tin, rinsed in cold water. It should fit in tightly. Add a little gelatine to a little of the liquid in which the tongue has been boiled. Pour over the tongue. Place a plate on top of tin, with weights or a flat iron, to keep plate down. Set aside till cold and set. Turn on to a round ashtray, and decorate with parsley and tomatoes.

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How To Avoid Headaches

PERSISTENT and constantly recurring headaches obviously demand medical attention, but there are some headaches that we bring upon ourselves, and which we can prevent.

Avoid sudden exertion after meals. Do not eat a heavy meal immediately after you have tried yourself out with physical exercise, or when your feet are cold. Rest for a quarter of an hour, get your feet warm, and then take a light meal.

Do not employ hard physical exercise as an antidote to severe mental effort. The best restorative is an easy walk.

Eschew a too meaty diet and cooked fats. Keep to freshly cooked foods, as far as possible of a vegetarian nature.

Worry is responsible for many headaches that are assigned to other causes.

J. S.



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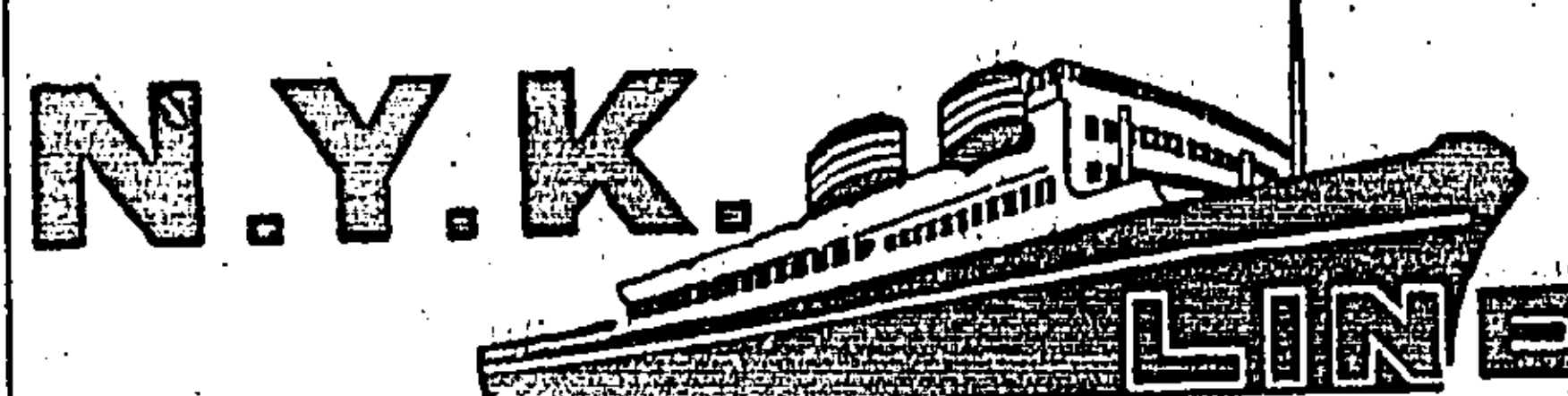


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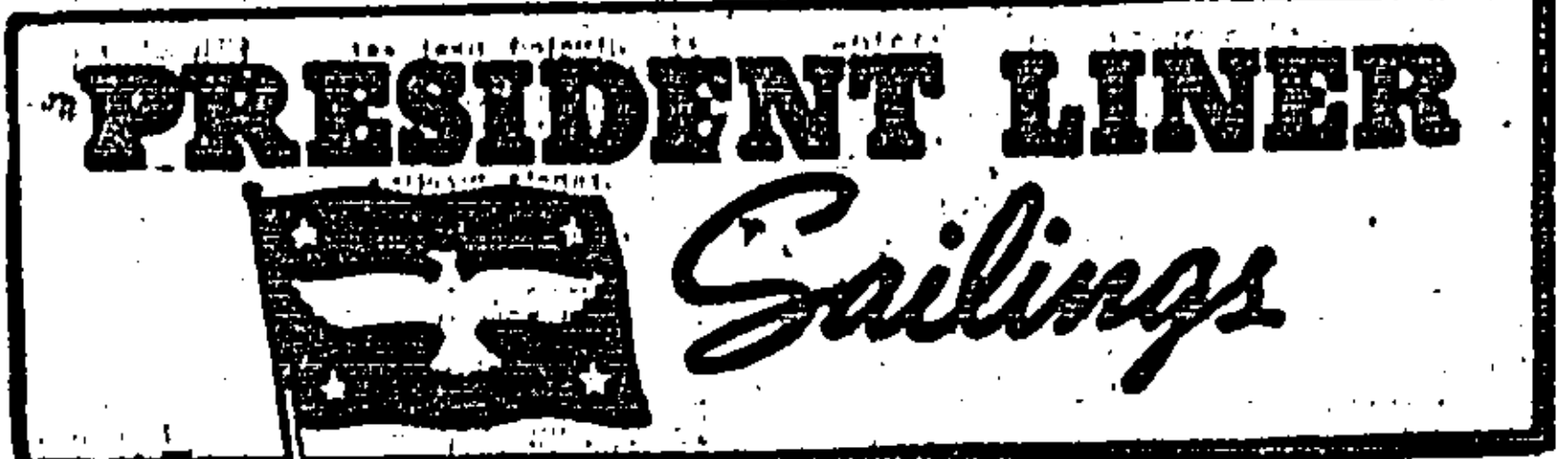
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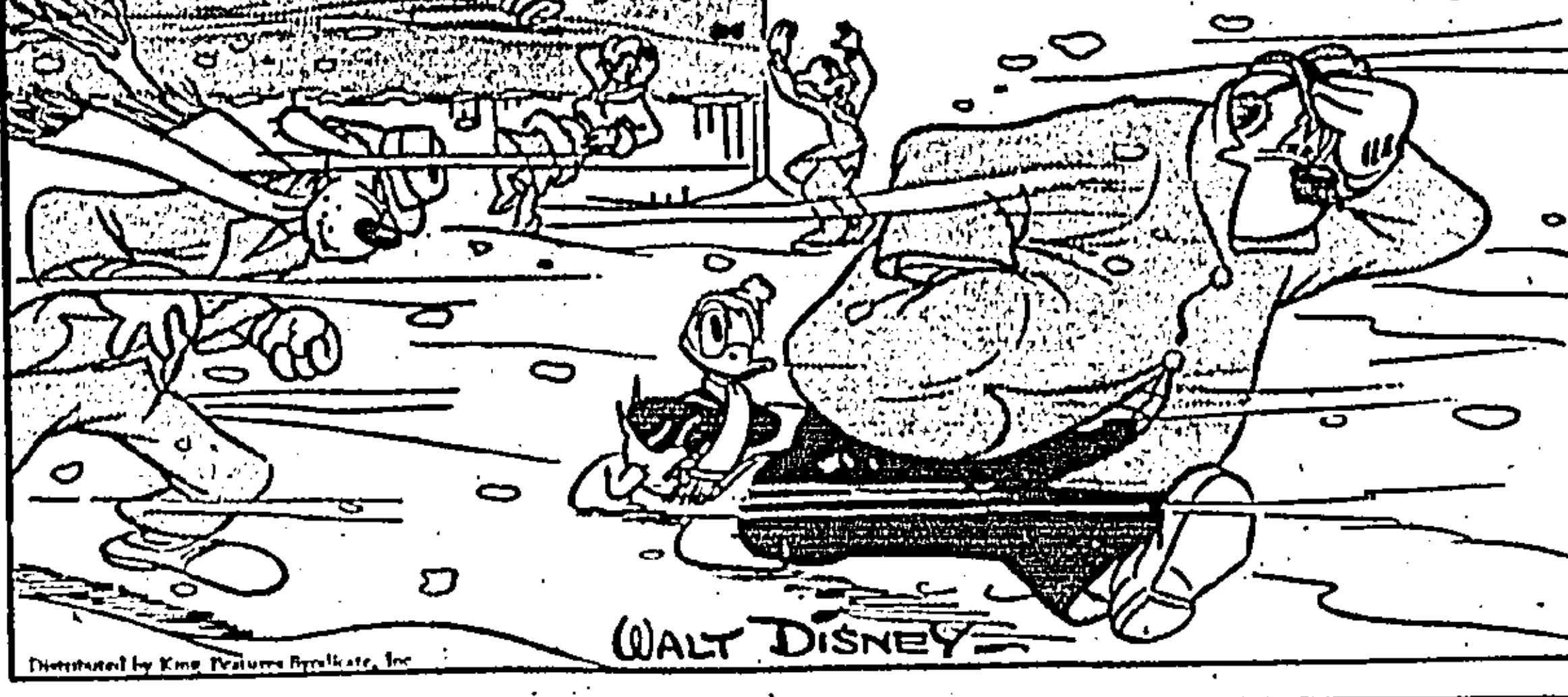
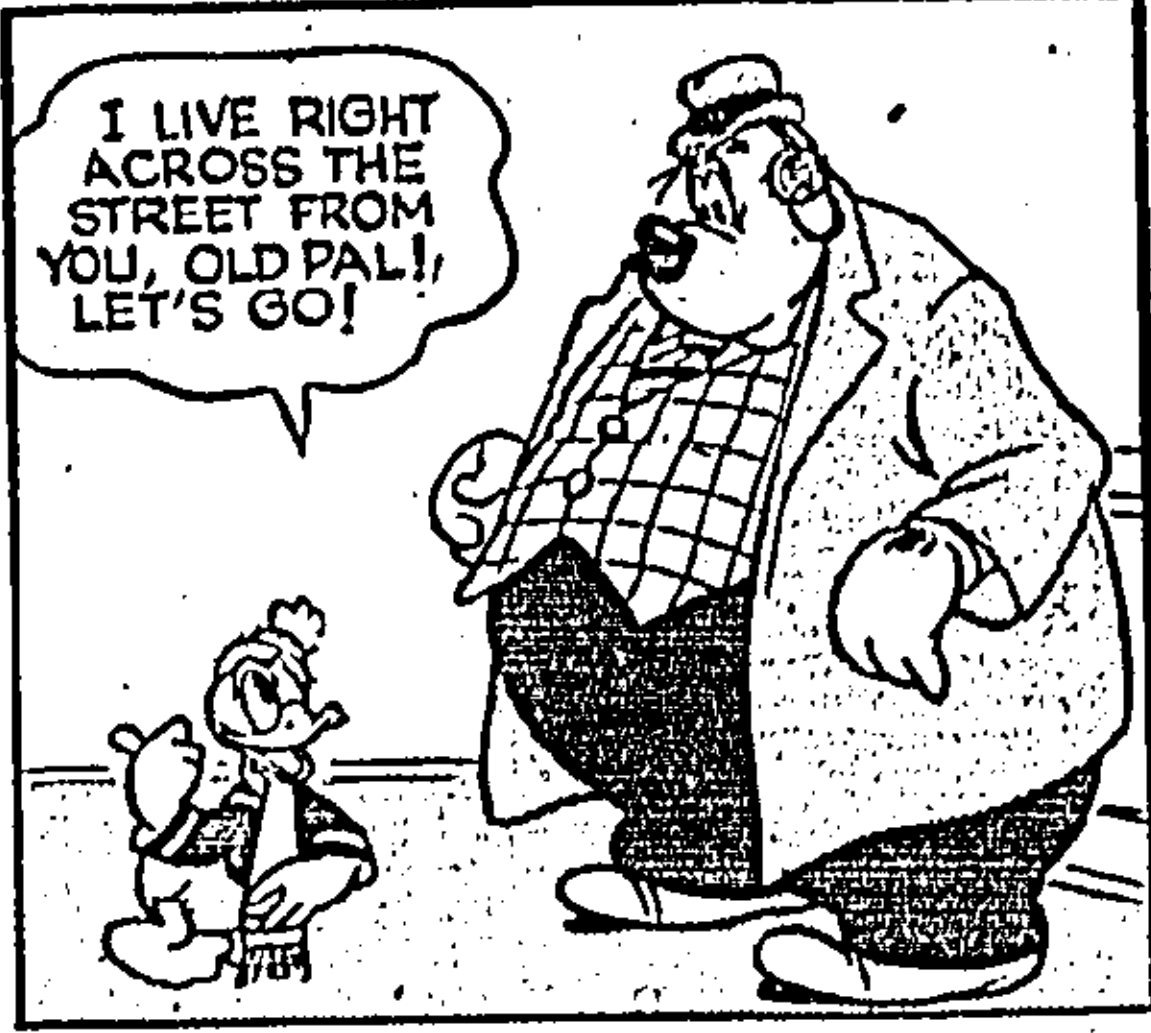
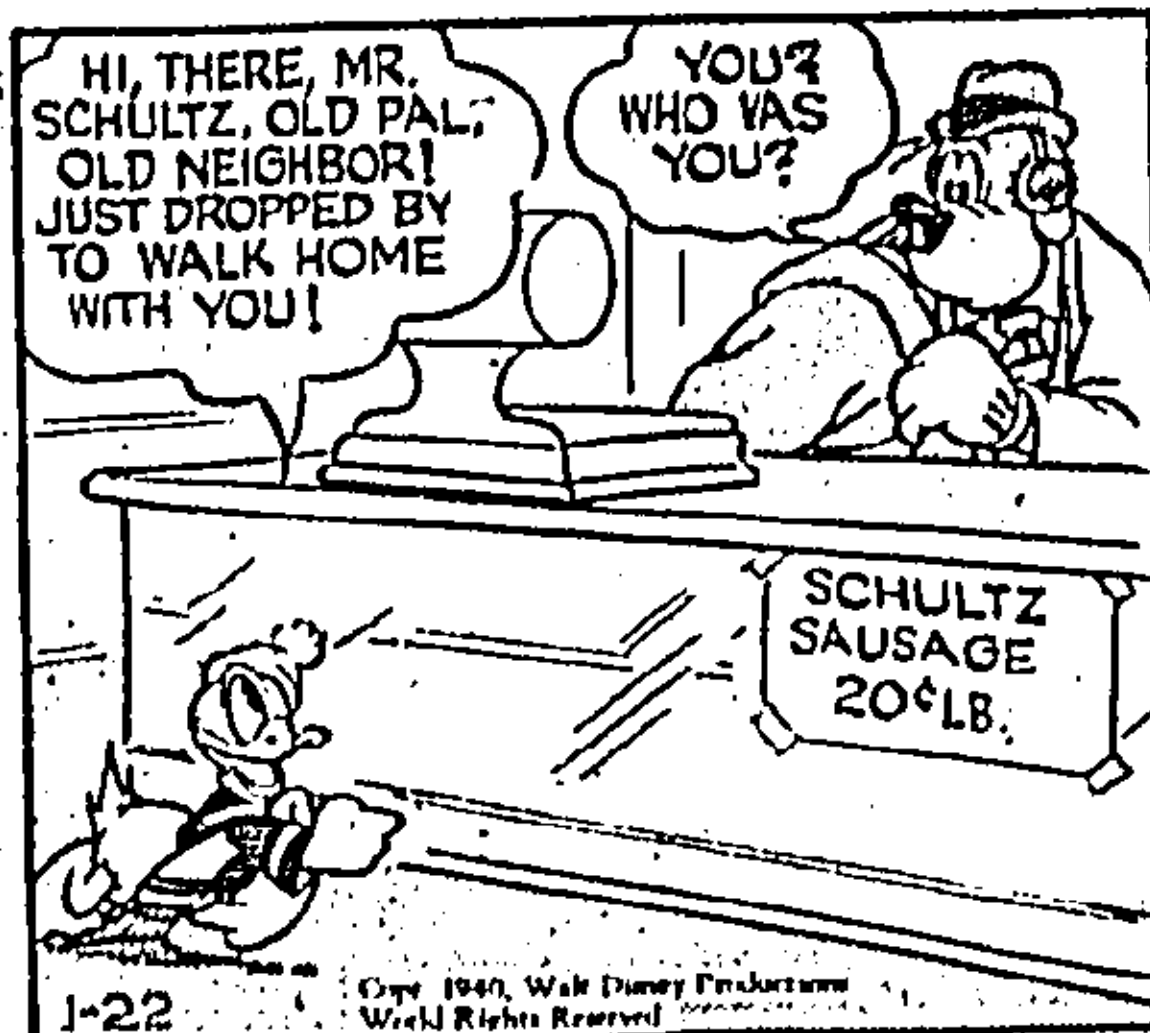
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Kept Prisoner In German Vessel For Nearly Three Months

SEAMAN'S DRAMATIC DIARY OF LIFE ABOARD NAZI "HELL-SHIP" ALTMARK

FOR the two and a half months that he was a prisoner in the Nazi "hell ship" Altmark, Seaman Robert Stone, of Wembley, Middlesex, kept a day-to-day record of his experiences.

The value of this record—made in neat pencilled notes on odd scraps of paper—is not as a literary gem, but as a plain human document.

Its value is enhanced by lack of exaggeration. There are no grumbles—not even a murmur when it records ten days on end without seeing the daylight above decks.

Simple words of appreciation for the contrast between the treatment received in the pocket battleship and that meted out by the English-hating commander of the Altmark.

Seaman Stone was in Australia when war broke out. He at once volunteered for the Navy, but the call for his services did not come quickly enough. He signed on as a sailor aboard the 9,033-ton Tairona.

300 Miles Ahead—The Graf Spee

This is the story:—NOV. 22.—Three days off Durban we heard that the Africa Shell had been sunk.

DEC. 2.—We heard by radio at about 1.30 that the Doric Star was being shelled by the Graf Spee about 300 miles ahead of us.

DEC. 3.—At 4.55 a.m. the port reported a ship in sight off the port bow. At five o'clock we received orders to clear lower decks. At 5.55 the first mate called for two A.L.H.s to go on the bridge to stand by the flags. So I ran up.

At 5.25 when about 150 yards off our port beam she turned her broadside on us and opened fire on the bridge. The steering wheel was put out of action.

The captain ordered "Abandon ship" and the third mate ordered the Red Ensign to be lowered. The ship was hit on the left arm slightly, but as I was on the turn, it spun me over.

No. 1 boat, the forward one on the starboard side, was hung up in the grips and therefore out of action. No. 3 and No. 5 were lowered and the majority of the crew were in the motor-boats when the Graf Spee came round our bows and ordered us all back on board.

When they found the Tairona's steering-wheel was out of action and her speed only eleven knots, the officer called the men who were wounded, five in number, and had them lowered into the motor-bent, and sent to the warship for medical attention.

The officer in charge of the boarding party got the ship's articles and papers and called the roll.

Most men, including myself, put on our best suit and grabbed a few pieces of underclothing, towel, and soap.

In the meantime our crew were being loaded into the boat and taken to the warship. Two of us, Sailor Blackman and myself, were ordered to stay behind and assist the German sailors who had opened all the hatch CO cylinders up about a dozen CO cylinders from the ship's store, together with the chronometer, sextant, and all the wireless sets that were in the bond store, and, of course, all the cigarettes and tobacco.

The officers and sailors treated us quite well and one put bombs in each hold. Then we left for the warship. At about 7.30 we heard about twelve loud explosions. Our fellows in hospital say they were guns, and, as the Tairona did not fire at her, as a torpedo was fired at her.

We were billeted in various mess and decks of the chief officers with the same off the Doric Star, Huntsman, Ashlea, Newton Beech, Tyvenden, and the captain only of the Africa Shell (all ships previously captured).

Prisoner Officers Act As Waiters

Then we were given dinner consisting of soup and a piece of tinned pork, spinach, potatoes and water, which was served to us by some of the officers who had been prisoners for two months.

We were then taken on deck by the Q.M. who addressed us on the

quarterdeck and told us that we would have the same food as themselves and that they would allow us on deck as often as they could for smoking, but we were not to smoke in the mess decks or to open ports at night.

As we were packed like sardines it was a bit of a struggle to get much sleep, but every one took it in good part, and the German sailors who had to give up their room for us were three young men for us and a few German words which would be handy to us.

At 7 p.m. the ports were closed and the white lights were put out, leaving us a few blue lights.

DEC. 4.—At 6.30 a.m. we were called and taken on deck again where the guards gave us a tin of water in and we had to wash to the waist. It was quite welcome. Then we had breakfast of black bread and coffee again, and then on deck till dinner-time, twelve o'clock when we were given soup, black bread and water. The soup was very good and plentiful.

DEC. 5.—At about 5.30 a.m. the Q.M. came in and said the guard had reported that some prisoners had been smoking below decks, and asked those who had been smoking to stand up.

Only one stood up, and he had his cigarettes taken away, and then we were all taken on deck and given a good lecture by the Q.M. who explained that, with us packed up as we were, fire would be disastrous.

DEC. 6.—After dinner we came alongside a tanker with the name "Sagene" on the bows and "Norge" (Swedish) on the stern. This was the Altmark. We were then given our bundles or cases, and taken to the tanker in the Graf Spee's motor-boat.

It was about 2 p.m. when we were all lined up and told that, as smoking was strictly verboten on board the tanker, all matches, lighters, weapons, or sheath knives must be handed in. Then we were taken forward and put down below in storerooms.

Forty-eight of us were put in C deck, which was the fourth deck below. Only one deck was below us, and this was also occupied by prisoners. Electric lights were on each deck and big rugs taken from the Huntsman were used to lie on.

Sugar Came From S.S. Huntsman

"For a few days it was hot and stuffy," says the diary, which continues:—

Four stewards were picked from each mess, and these were sent up on deck before each meal for the food rations. We were called at 6 a.m. every morning.

Breakfast, 7 a.m. Dinner, 12 noon. Tea, 5.30. Breakfast consisted of two slices of black bread and one of white, and a mug of good tea with a little sugar. This was also taken from the Huntsman. Dinner was usually soup and very nutritious.

Usually we had water, but, for a while, water was scarce, so we had one cup of tea for breakfast, and one for tea, which I found sufficient, but some were always feeling dry.

At night time hatches were put on, and we were locked down below. Sometimes our doors on each deck were locked, and this caused us to ask if we were to be given any chance if the ship was torpedoed or sunk.

The next morning the captain lined us all up, and told us emphatically that our country had declared war on Germany and that, as Germans, we were obliged to keep up our hands, and that he did not think Germans should have any time for the English after Versailles.

From this point the diary tells the story of the "separation" of the Altmark from the Graf Spee (following the River Plate battle) and of two months of life at sea, journeying until the arrival off Norway.

DEC. 13.—About 2 p.m. the Altmark suddenly put on full speed and went north for two days, after days

of just cruising around at very slow speed.

DEC. 15.—We got the rumour that the Graf Spee was in Montevideo after an action with the Ajax, Exeter and Achilles.

DEC. 16.—We slowed down, and the name was altered on our side, and course altered to south.

DEC. 17.—All the crews and guard were busy painting the ship, and we were only allowed on deck to wash in the morning and to get our food from the galley. Speed dropped on fourth.

DEC. 20.—Washing in morning; soup and water scarce. Shipping water over to castle well deck so only stewards allowed on deck.

DEC. 21.—Still going south. Colder and waves coming over.

DEC. 22.—Nearly stopped. Well south, cold and raining, so no deck except for stewards to fetch food. (Lucky I volunteered as a steward.)

DEC. 23.—Still stopped. Foggy and cold, but deck for our crowd from 10.30 to 11.50. Warned about smoking again—penalty three days' loss of bread and water.

DEC. 24.—Christmas Eve and still hanging around this cold place. No deck as it is raining, but sweets for dinner, and fruit preserve for loganberries. Then six but, leaves extra for tea. The guards came and wished us compliments of season from himself and his captain.

Gooseberries On Christmas Day

DEC. 25 (Christmas Day).—Deck 10.50 to 11.50. Let too wet and cold to stay on deck long. Chicken broth and rabbit stew and macaroni, and a tin of preserved gooseberries between six for dinner. After tea, while stewards were washing up, some one dumped a little box over the side, but the look-out on the bridge noticed it, and they put the ship into reverse, and picked it up. The guards came down to each deck and looked at us all and picked out the men concerned, but so far no individual has confessed, and we are not going to be allowed on deck again. So here's hoping.

DEC. 26 (Boxing Day).—Not allowed to wash or go on deck for three days. Stewed cherries for dinner. Water seeping through sides and bed-ding cold and damp. Hard to keep warm, even with blankets over us.

DEC. 28.—Cold and wet, still just keeping leeway. Too cold on deck, even with overcoat on, so gave up peeps (steakwadding) job.

DEC. 29.—D deck below were shifted off yesterday as it was too wet and cold. We are allowed on A1 deck for a wash to-day, first for four days, but water very scarce. Still very cold, and all feel hungry. Yesterday we had sweet soup for dinner, doughboys and stewed figs. Soup sweet but O.K. Dumplings small and like lead.

JAN. 1.—Peggy again. Very cold, but nice to see and be in open air again. Practically every one now in hammocks, as decks very wet and cold. Soap very scarce, so cannot wash clothes this week.

JAN. 19.—Peggy. First day on open deck for ten days. Lot of prisoners looking white and sickly.

January 20 records the Altmark going west at steady speed, then on succeeding days W.N.W. On January 25 the ship put on full speed.

JAN. 26.—10 S. 10 W. approx. Hot and only wearing bathing shorts, so comfortable. Hot stewed fruit yesterday for dinner, and to-day fruit juice and blancmange.

Then into February, steaming north.

FEB. 7.—Rough, going N.E. Four days' stores issued.

FEB. 10.—On deck in afternoon. Big seas. Put clock on one hour to-day. I got wet through getting them.

FEB. 12.—No deck to-day, fog. 64 N. 10 W. Still not very cold. Every one expecting something to happen any moment now. Put clock on one hour.

STALIN TAKEN FOR A RIDE



AMONG THE FINNISH WAR trophies captured during the Red rout on the Summa front was this photograph of Stalin.—Domet.

Germans Praise R.A.F.

HERE is an unsolicited testimonial to the bravery of R.A.F. pilots.

It was made in Germany and distributed free to neutral journalists in Berlin:

"The raid on Borkum, the German aerodrome in the Frisian Islands, was undoubtedly a daring exploit.

"The Germans were caught completely unawares by the raiders, who machine-gunned the aerodrome from a height of nine or ten feet.

"Midway through one Tuesday afternoon, eight Blenheim bombers

FEB. 13.—Going easterly, then turn south in afternoon. Two days' more rations to-day. Clock put on one hour.

FEB. 14.—Went up Norwegian fjord this morning and swung round all night with winches going in a harbour.

FEB. 15.—Got under way about 5 a.m. Norwegian motorboat pulled us up about midday. Two gunboats and two destroyers stood by, and we all yelled and kicked up a row and tried to smash the hatch covers in, but guards turned the hoses on us. Decks in hell of mess to-night; very wet and cold.

FEB. 16.—No excitement during night, but police sent down to deck to say biscuits and water only to be issued for our misbehaviour in trying to break out yesterday.

Then the same day (February 16) news of the chase by British planes and destroyers.

About 5 p.m. news came down from A deck that we were being chased, apparently by planes, as the crew were running about looking up, and she was entering a fjord. Crew were standing by with lifebelts on, and about twenty with cudgels over our hatches.

Then The Cossack Crashed Through

Seven p.m. She appears to be jammed in the ice. At 11.15 p.m. we heard a big bump as the Altmark tried to ram the destroyer Cossack.

At about 11.20 the boarding party from the destroyer came on board, and the first we heard, although we were all up and standing by with our lifebelts on, was a British sailor shouting out for crews of the British ships to come up as quick as possible.

The British boarding party, with fixed bayonets, had the German crew bailed up, and then the Cossack crashed through the ice and came right alongside, and we wasted no time in climbing aboard her.

In the Cossack we were put down below into mess decks and given bread (with sugar and milk in it) and bread and butter and jam and real cigarettes.

Are we excited now—all on our way to good old England! Three cheers for the British Navy!

Striking Is Not To Be Sabotage

A CLAUSE has been inserted in the Defence Regulations making it clear that the sabotage section does not apply to a person, "taking part in, or peacefully persuading any other person to take part in, a strike."

This is one of several important changes made following recent criticisms in Parliament.

An Order-in-Council authorising the revisions has been published.

Agreement was reached at a conference between the Home Secretary and an all-Party Committee.

Labour was represented by Sir William Jovett, Mr. Wedgwood Benn and Mr. John Jagger.

Civil Defence

The regulation making it an offence to try to cause disaffection among members of the defence forces has been extended to cover civil defence workers.

To meet the criticism that the words "To cause disaffection" might cover legitimate propaganda to improve conditions, such phrases as "to reduce from their duty" and "to cause disaffection likely to lead to breaches of duty" have been substituted.

A person against whom a detention order has been made is now entitled to be supplied, by an Advisory Committee, with information enabling him to prepare his defence.

Monthly Report

A new paragraph makes it necessary for the Home Secretary to present a monthly detailed report to Parliament of all detention or restriction orders which he may issue.

The regulation making it an offence "to influence public opinion in a manner likely to be prejudicial to the efficient prosecution of the war" has been drastically revised to meet the criticism that it might be applied to any form of peace propaganda.

As re-drafted, it will apply only to propaganda in which use is made of "any false statement, false document, or false report."

It will be a defence for a defendant

to show that he had reasonable cause to believe that the statement, document, or report in question was true.

The regulation under which the Home Secretary could delegate his power to ban meetings to certain local officials has also been dropped.

The "curfew" regulation remains unaltered. Although Sir John Anderson offered to withdraw it, the general view is that it is necessary to keep in reserve some power to prohibit general movement in the event of a grave emergency arising.

French military circles here refuse to get excited about this but regard it as "normal."

To-day's communique reports reduced activity.

WESTERN FRONT

MORE GERMANS MASSING

PARIS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It is reported that Germany is sending new divisions to the Western Front.

French military circles here refuse to get excited about this but regard it as "normal."

To-day's communique reports reduced activity.

Swiss Nazis Lose Heart

ZURICH, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Swiss Nazi party has dissolved itself following the arrest of its leader on charges of spying for a foreign power. The party never did have much of a following.

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(Including Deferred Annuities)		
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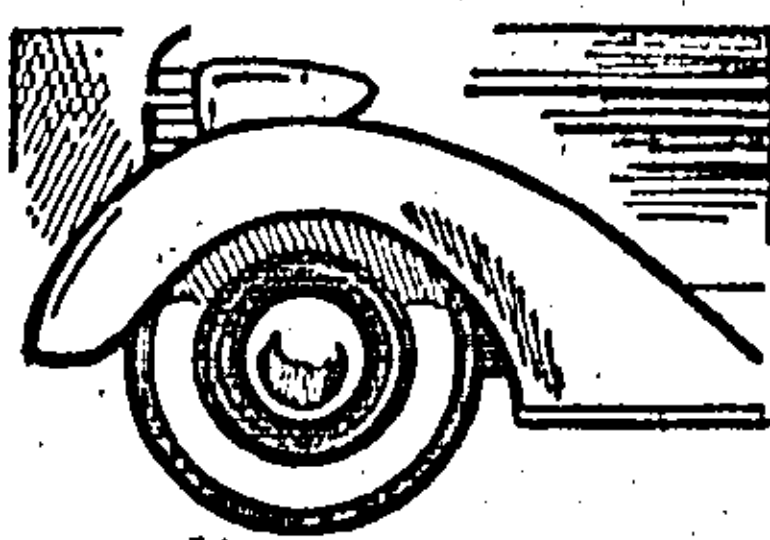
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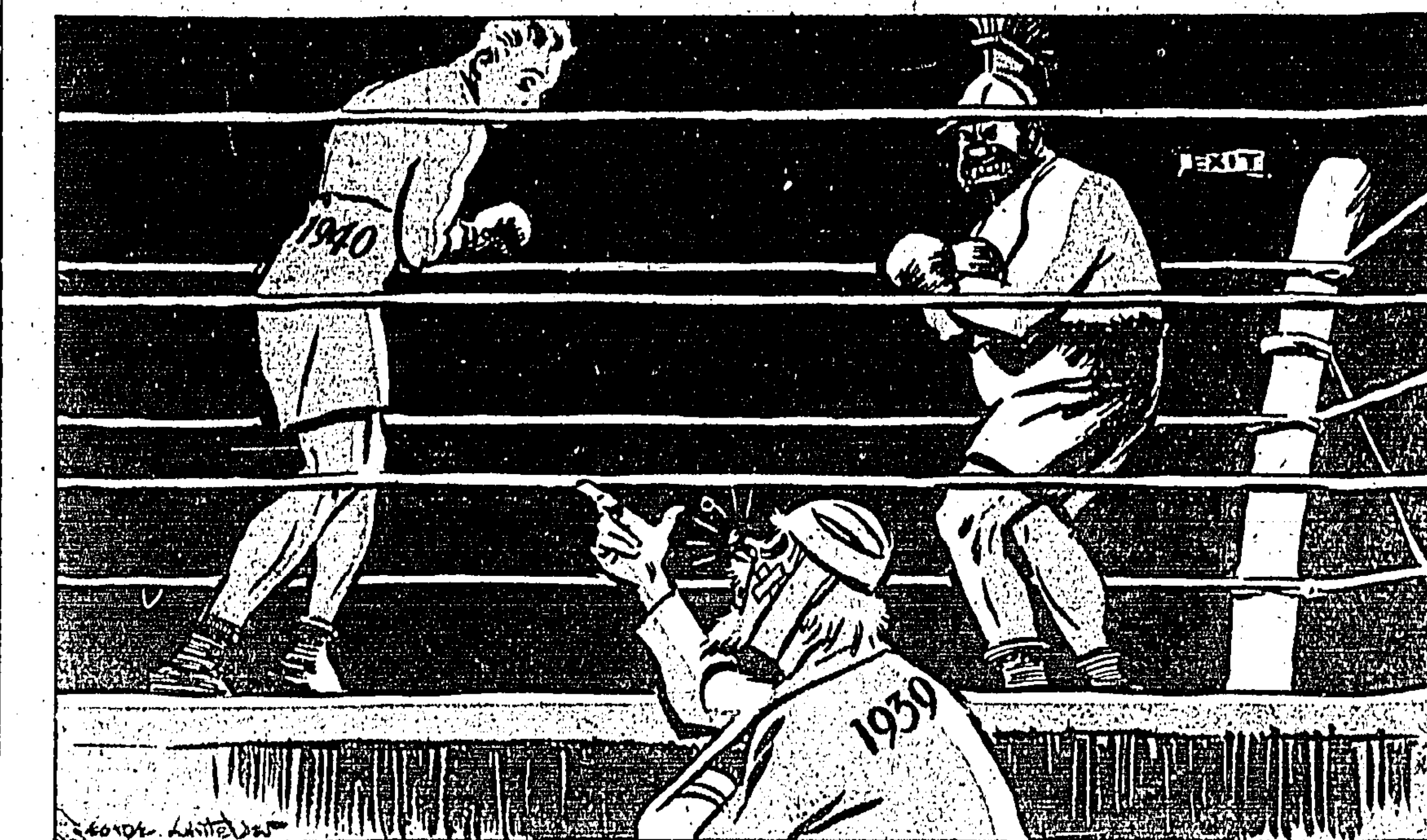
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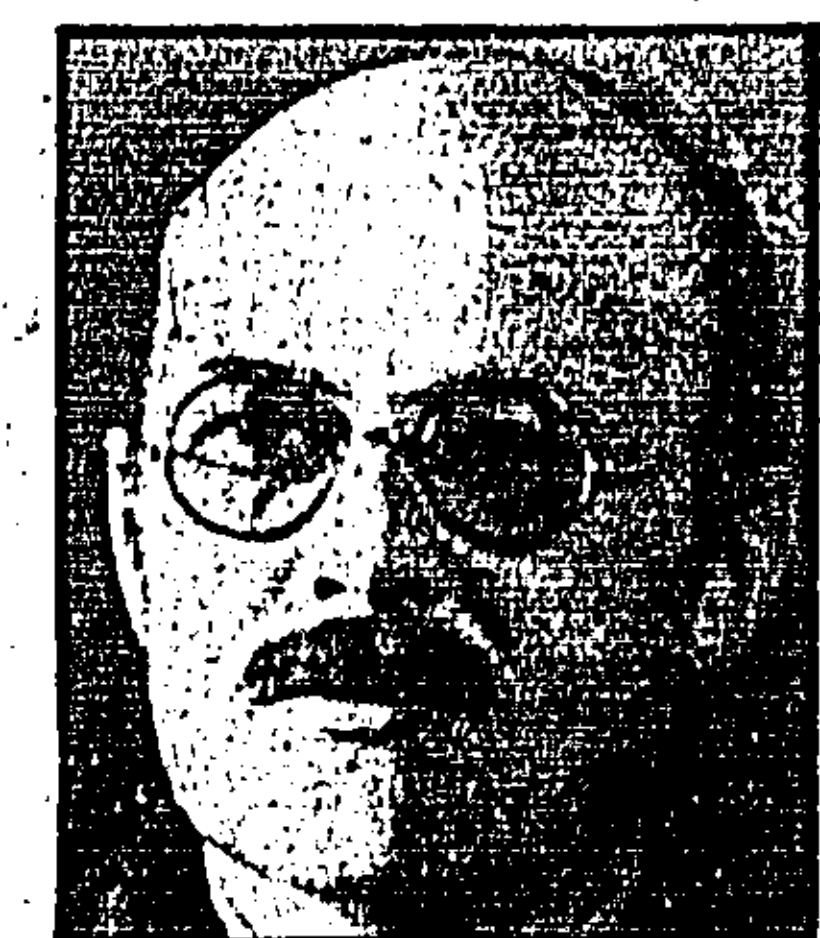
The Small Nations

WHEN about twelve months
ago President Roosevelt asked
Hitler to pledge himself that he
would not attack the independent
nations of Europe for ten years
no satisfaction was given. When
the smaller nations were asked
to say whether they were afraid
of a German attack they held
their peace. They appeared to
be afraid of the bully's ill-will.The past year has brought a
startling change. There is not a
single one of the small nations
but is acutely apprehensive of
assault. The three Baltic States
were swallowed whole by Russia,
and she is now engaged in a
painful effort to absorb Finland.
Alarmed by the fate of these, all
the other small nations are
feverishly strengthening their
defences, determined to resist
any attack upon their liberties.King Carol has declared that
Rumania will never allow an
enemy to set foot upon her soil.
Because Holland has made no
war-like boasts doubts have been
expressed of her will or capacity
to resist aggression. She has
boldly dispelled that illusion.
The Government announces in
the plainest possible words that
any assault on Dutch territory
will be met with the most
obstinate armed resistance.Belgium, at the moment, is
silent, but she could have no
choice but resistance if Holland
were assailed by a German flank-
ing movement on the Maginot
Line. It is no pessimistic view
to regard the position of
Norway, Sweden, and Denmark
as critical in the extreme.
Switzerland, till lately considered
to be the safest country in
Europe, has mobilised all her
forces, and has 650,000 men
ready to oppose any attempt by
Germany to break through there.
The danger to the Balkan States
comes from another source,
Russia, and anxious efforts are
being made to procure adjust-
ment of their differences lest
disaster overtake them.There is not a spot on the map
of Europe but is threatened with
war, and a false move anywhere
might precipitate a Continental
war.

OLD 1939: "Better see if Mars has a horseshoe in his glove. Look what he did to me!"

Yes, I like the
sergeant who
swears..says Oliver
BALDWIN(Viscount Corvedale) Socialist
son of a Conservative father;
author, soldier, film critic,
ex-M.P.Was in France with the Irish
Guards in 1916 at 17WE in Great Britain
seem to have re-
placed our old bar-
rack-square disci-
pline with a peculiar form of
psycho-analytical treatment.
Recruits are no longer spoken
to sharply if they are idle in case
they are upset, and the father-
liness of the modern command-
ing officer seems certain to
make the barracks a perfect
"home from home."There are soldiers in our army
to-day who have been in training
for three months and yet walk
about the streets of the garrison
towns as if they had just got out
of bed after a heavy night.The saluting is slovenly and offi-
cers seem unwilling to impose dis-
cipline except on their own units.
Officers, non-commissioned offi-
cers and men are mixing in public
places, and where attempts to
tighten discipline occur parents
and the modern soldiers them-
selves become class conscious and
insist that a private soldier is as
good as a general.He may be, but no war was ever
won on that basis, and unless
something is done to tighten dis-
cipline over here I dread to think
what will happen in the front line
when the real war starts.

I will explain this criticism.

When troops are in the front
line and are being badly shelled or
have suffered heavy casualties overa period of days, there is only one
thing that can keep them working
as a unit and that is the discipline
of the barracks square—the con-
tinuous, tedious, tiring marching,
turning and halting.
Saluting, some of you say, is un-
necessary. I thought so, once, but
I have been with revolutionary
armies and I know which side wins
—the disciplined, saluting type.
When I say discipline, I do not
mean Guards discipline of the pre-
1914 type. This was overdone, but
its basis was right.
Remember, too, the Guards had
a different code to the rest of the
Line in those days. No non-com-
missioned officer was allowed to
swear at the men on parade: the
men's offences were put in a book
and the punishment was held over
till next day.In the line regiments we used to
be sworn at and it was all over.
Two kinds of discipline, but which
did the soldier prefer?I liked the swearing type of ser-
geant. He rarely meant what he
said, and the trouble was quickly
over. To-day the sergeants hardly
dare reprimand: the new soldier
must remember beyond what they
are told to do. That to-day is not
discipline is as slack asthat it is more than ever essential
that officers, non-commissioned
officers and men should be segre-
gated as much as possible; for if
you add familiarity to slovenliness,
sensitiveness to reprimand and
casual saluting you have got
nothing better than a mob, and
three months' front-line service
will completely disorganise it.The only part of military disci-
pline which is abominable is in-
justice, and in the modern Army it
should not occur as easily as it used
to in the last war.For the rest I am convinced by
experience in the Infantry, in the
Guards, in the front-line, and in a
revolutionary army that a sterner
discipline than that which our
troops are undergoing at present is
essential for victory.THE DOCTOR
LAUGHSA DOCTOR, in the good old
days, called at a country
cottage and said to the good-
wife, "Did you get those leeches
I sent for your husband, Mrs.
Macfarlane?""Oh, ay, sir," was the reply.
"But whif I the world was the
guid o' sendin' wee things like
yon for a muckle chiel' like oor
Jock? I juist took an' clappit the
ferret on him."Another village doctor, after
examining a young patient, said
to his mother, "And what are
you going to make of this little
man when he grows up?""Och, he's shair to be a butcher,
sir," said the fond mother. "Mexty,
he's that fond o' animals, we canna
keep him out o' the slaughter-house."Weelum was feeling very "low"
when the doctor called."Well, Weelum, and how are you
to-day?" inquired the doctor."Verra bad; verro bad. I wush
Providence wad hae mercy on me
an' tak' me awa'.""Hoots, Weelum," said his wife,
who was standing by, "hoo can ye
expect that if ye winna tak' the
doctor's phreese?"The new doctor had been called in
to attend one of Mrs. M'Tosh's large
family. On entering the house he
said, "I detect rather a disagreeable
smell in the house, Mrs. M'Tosh.
Are you sure the drains are all
right?""Och, it canna be the drains, sir,"
said she indignantly. "There's nae
here ava'!"An Irish doctor, who had been
called on to examine the victim of
an accident, gave judgment as fol-
lows:—"There are three wounds.
One may prove fatal, but I expect
he will recover from the other two."One day the doctor called at a
farm labourer's cottage. "How is
your husband this morning?" he asked
buxom woman who opened the
door to him. "Did you take his
temperature as I told you?""Och, ay, sir," she replied. "I put
the barometer on his chest, an' it
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Brigade's British Battalion in Spain.Saluting will
never win a war

SAYS TOM WINTRINGHAM

Son of a solicitor, nephew of one of the first woman M.P.s, and an
expert on military affairs.barrack-square drill, smart salu-
ting, separation of officers and men,
swearing sergeants, reprimands,
sternness.That sort of discipline is useless
to-day. It destroys the strongest
moral force in an army, the feeling
of comradeship. It makes men
dependent on constant supervision.
They do nothing beyond what they
are told to do. That to-day is not
enough.It goes beyond obedience: dis-
ciplined soldiers do not have to
wait for orders or find an officer
before they do what they know
is needed; their own willingness,
their feeling of shared responsi-
bility, can lead them.Of that sort of discipline no
army can have too much—and the
British army needs more. But that
is not the sort of discipline Mr.
Baldwin wants.

He asks for the other sort:

on a battlefield can be much
greater to-day than in 1918, and
the job cannot be done that way.Mr. Baldwin thinks that the disci-
pline of the barrack-square
holds troops to their job. I think of
the Canadians and Australians—
our "shock troops" of the last war.
And I think of the International
Brigade in Spain—a very useful
infantry.The Canadians seldom drilled
and very seldom saluted. The In-
ternationals, averaging five weeks
training, had little time for drill;
they saluted quite often, though
not so often as some troops. Their
real discipline did not depend on
this, or any other formality.Discipline of the barrack-square
type teaches two good things: to
move without falling over your-
selves, and to get in line without
crowding. Beyond this it has little
value for war, or is harmful.

Officers should not, for snobbish

reasons, or for false ideas about
discipline, shut themselves off
from their men—unless they are
officers unfitted to lead. If they
are leaders by merit, not by social
class or influence, the better their
men know them the stronger will
be their unity.Democratic discipline forces men
to carry on because it enlists their
intelligence, their eagerness, their
pride in doing a job well. Barrack-
square discipline works only
through fear and habit. To-day,
intelligence is the stronger.As Marx pointed out, the
organization of an army, often
foreshadowed the future social
organization of the country it is
drawn from.The "comradeship" of the
trenches "in the last war fore-
shadowed the classless society to
which we are moving. In 1914-18
it was an exception; to-day
barrack discipline is the exception."We are, by this change towards
a democratic army, a step nearer
the wider democracy of Socialism.

Amazing Forced March

2,000 Miles Across East Africa
BRITISH FORCES AT KENYA

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—News was received here to-day of an amazing trek across 2,000 miles in Central Africa by troops of Northern Rhodesia who have now arrived in Nairobi, Kenya, after a journey in 200 motor vehicles from Lusaka, capital of northern Rhodesia.

They made the trip in six units and were completely self-supporting.

They consisted of the 1st Battalion Northern Rhodesia Regiment's first line transport, ambulance unit and supply company of the Northern Rhodesian Army Service Corps.

Self-Contained
They carried all their own equipment, stores, ammunition and enough petrol for the entire trip.

Only one motor vehicle of the entire 200 fell out on the way. Credit is due to the African drivers, many of whom only learnt to drive after the war began.

The contingent was met by the Governor of Kenya and the Officer Commanding the East African Forces. They will complete the contingent in Kenya of troops from all parts of British East and Central Africa.

"Civics" in August
Recruiting was not the least remarkable fact about this "army". Three-quarters of the officers and European N.C.O.s were in civilian occupation when the war broke out.

When recruits were asked for District Officers, Government officials, University men and mining and railway experts arrived in large numbers.

So numerous were the African volunteers that recruiting had to be stopped after a few weeks.

By then the first battalion had reached full strength and the second battalion taking its place in Northern Rhodesia was also fully manned.

£100,000,000 IN SAVINGS

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King has sent a message of congratulation to Sir Robert Kindersley, President of the National Savings Committee, on the sum of £100,000,000 having been reached in National Savings Certificates and Defence Bonds investments in the first 100 days of the campaign which opened on November 22.

The King, in thanking war time savers, says "It is a fine example of the determination of my people to dedicate their energies and their resources to winning victory and peace."

FRANCE TO CALL UP MORE MEN

PARIS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—France's next contingent will be called to the colours on April 10.

It will include those born between July 1 and September 30, 1910, as well as a number of exempted persons belonging to the 1920 to 1932 and 1938 classes, who are now considered liable to mobilisation in the army or auxiliary services.

Britain's Potato Crop Losses

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wire- less).—The damage done by frost to the potato stores in Great Britain during the recent severe weather is very much less than was at one time feared. So far as can be ascertained by the Ministry of Food, the average loss has been about five per cent.

LEAGUE MISSION TO STUDY RED METHODS

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The newspaper "Allerhanda" states that a League of Nations Mission has arrived in Helsinki to make a study of the Russian methods of warfare.

An angry denial of the allegations of Russian atrocities contained in a Note published by the Finnish Government and sent to the League of Nations was contained in a statement which has been issued by the Headquarters of the Leningrad Military Area.

The statement described the allegations as being "transparently false and fantastic."

The statement contained a denial of all attacks on civilian population and added "The Red Army is too

SHAKESPEARE (12-years-Old) HAS A POEM FOR HITLER

LONDON, March 4 (UP). At a speech to-day in connection with the Anglo-American Community Chest at the Dorchester Hotel, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, read a song written by his 12-year old son.

The song is entitled "To Hitler." Mr. Shakespeare explained that it should be sung to the tune of "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean."

"Maybe you could give this to Mr. Churchill," said young Shakespeare to his father.

"My U-boats are under the sea
My Graf Spee is under the sea
Hitler is in a commotion
Oh! don't mention Churchill to me."

Apology To Belgium

Nazis Offer Indemnity For Air Raids

BRUSSELS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The German Ambassador to Brussels called on M. Spaak, Foreign Minister, to-day to apologise for the incident which occurred on Saturday in which a Nazi bomber shot down two Belgian planes over Belgian territory, killing the pilot of one machine.

Germans' Excuse
The German excuse is that the German machine had been in combat with seven British fighters over France and the pilot was not aware that he was over Belgian territory.

He mistook the British type Belgian planes for British fighters.

The German Ambassador told M. Spaak that German airmen had been instructed not to fly over neutral countries, and he offered to consider any indemnity which the Belgian Government might demand.

Not Satisfactory
This Nazi excuse is not likely to satisfy Belgian public opinion as the German plane was close to the Belgian machines which surrounded it when it opened fire.

It is also noted that German machines frequently fly over Belgium on their way to France and on the particular day of the incident more Nazi machines roared over Belgium including Brussels where anti-aircraft guns went into action and Belgian fighters went up to meet them.

To Explain Blockade To Americans

NEW YORK, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. G. Ashton-Gwatkin, of the British Ministry of Economic Warfare, and Mr. Charles Rist, economic adviser to the French Blockade Ministry, arrived here to-day and proceeded to Washington.

It will be their task to provide American departments concerned with details in regard to the working of the Allied blockade.

ATTACKS U-BOAT

—FROM PAGE ONE

"An enemy submarine was attacked in the Schilling Roads this afternoon by aircraft attached to the Royal Air Force. The submarine is believed to have been destroyed. The aircraft was on reconnaissance duty when she sighted a submarine on the surface in shallow water. The aircraft dropped four bombs one of which registered a direct hit between the conning tower and stern of the submarine. After the attack the submarine was enveloped in a cloud of greyish black smoke and only the upper part of the conning tower was visible above water."

—FROM PAGE ONE

At Petsamo the enemy retreated northwards from Naust about a mile and a half.

Red Air Raids
HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—To-day's communiqué states that the air force bombed a concentration of enemy troops and Soviet columns. Soviet planes bombed a number of places, including Wilmanstran, where serious damage was done.

No casualties are hitherto reported.

Four Soviet planes were brought down and two others are believed to have been brought down.

Malayan Contribution
HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The latest help for Finland comes in the shape of £1,450 contributed by sympathisers in Malaya for the Finnish Red Cross.

BRITAIN IN THE ORIENT

Ambassador Safeguards Our Interests

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, was asked if adequate steps were being taken to safeguard Britain's trade position in China immediately following the cessation of hostilities.

Mr. Butler replied that the British Ambassador spends a considerable time at Chungking, where there is a permanent office of the Embassy, through which he maintains contact with the Chinese Government on all matters affecting British trade interests when he is at Shanghai or elsewhere.

The British Embassy is 1,800 miles from Chinese Headquarters, but when the Ambassador is not at Chungking there is someone of sufficient status to carry on negotiations.

VIBORG BECOMES NEW WARSAW AS FINNS CONTEST EVERY INCH

—FROM PAGE ONE

still holding, at any rate, a part of the city of Viborg. Finnish troops are now entrenched in new defensive positions behind the town.

The anxiety at Helsinki about the position at Viborg and the situation generally was somewhat relieved to-night by news of the Russian retreat from Nausti and the Finnish successes at Kollanjoiki and elsewhere mentioned in the communiqué.

There are signs that March snowfall is beginning.

The temperature at Helsinki to-night is only slightly below zero.

Evacuation Horror
Terrible conditions among the children from the extreme east front are revealed in a report by Dr. and Mrs. Leppa, who have investigated conditions in the Oulu province. Their report states that the evacuated children are forced to travel by sleigh and under other exposed conditions. Many are hatless and stockinged, and 40 per cent. of them are ill with measles, bronchitis or pneumonia, while 75 per cent. have died.

The Hoover Committee to-day initiated a plan for the immediate despatch of six ambulance units and medical supplies for the children.

The Committee state that they urgently need funds.

Attempt To Cross Ice SPELLED TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (UP).—An official communiqué issued to-day states that the Finns have repulsed the Russian attempt to cross the Bay of Viborg.

The communiqué states that attacks between the Bay of Viborg and Vuoksi have been repelled with heavy Russian losses.

Enemy attacks were made at Pitkanenranta, a sector on the north-east of Lake Ladoga.

Enemy attacks at Kollanjoiki were repulsed and 1,200 Russians were killed.

The communiqué further states that the Russians have again withdrawn three kilometers to the north.

Attempt Repulsed
HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—An official communiqué issued to-day states that the enemy attempt to advance across the ice of Viborg Bay was repulsed.

The Soviet attacks between Viborg Bay and Vuoksen have been broken. The enemy made several attacks round Ayrappa but had to retreat with heavy losses.

Artillery on both sides was lively in the east of Karelian Isthmus especially at Taipale.

Enemy attacks towards Pitkanen on the north-east of Lake Ladoga were beaten back.

The fighting continued all day at Kollanjoiki, the enemy losing 1,200 men.

The Finns have captured the enemy supporting post in the Kuhmo region.

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New Shipping Tragedies

Three Vessels Sunk: Heavy Loss Of Life

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Mar. 4 (UP).—It has been revealed that a German plane bombed the Dutch coastal vessel Iliena on Saturday, killing the captain and engineer.

The Scottish trawler Ben Attow blew up with a terrific explosion off the Scottish coast to-day, the entire crew of nine being killed.

The Swedish steamer Lagadom also sank following an explosion off the west coast of Scotland, but it is believed that the crew of 27 have been saved.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 1/4
Demand do.	1/2 1/4
T.T. Shanghai	347
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	40 1/2
T.T. Batavia	44 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	150 1/4
T.T. Saigon	103 1/4
T.T. France	10.85
T.T. Switzerland	100 1/4
T.T. Australia	160 1/4
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	24 1/4
4 m/s France	11.40
30 d/s India	8 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in N. Y.	3.01 1/4

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,445 b. & n.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.)	£. 83 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	£. 82 1/2 n.
Chartered	9 1/4 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	31 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C.	12 1/2 n.
East Asia	77 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton	227 1/2 n.
Union	400 b.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	185 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglases	110 b.
Steamboats	10 1/2 n.
Indo-China P&S	100 n.
Indo-China D.S.	100 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-	61 1/2 n.
Waterboats	7 1/2 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	103 1/2 b.
Docks	22 1/2 b.
Providents	5.20 sa.
Sh. Docks Sh.	42 n.
MINING	
Kallian s/-	18 n.
Raub's s/-	19 n.
Gold	4 n.
H.K. Mines	3 1/2 cts. b.
LANDS	
Hotels	5.70 n.
Lands	38.00 sa.
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n.
Shai Lands Sh.	73 n.
Humphreys	73 n.
H.K. Realities	5 n.
Chinese Estates	105 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	18 1/4 n.
Peak Trams (old)	8 n.
Star Trams (new)	8 n.
Star Ferries	100 n.
Ferry	27 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	8.75 sa.
China Lights (new)	5.40/55 sa.
H.K. Electric	68 1/4 s.
Macao Electric	22 n.
Sandakan Lights	11 1/4 n.
Telephones (old)	12.00 n.
Telephones (new)	12.00 n.
Tractions (Pref.)	C.D. 21/0 n.
Tractions	23/0 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cold Macg. (Ord.)	Sh. £. 14.00 n.
Cold Macg. (Pref.)	Sh. £. 12 n.
Canton Iron	1 n.
Cements	20.30/40 sa.
H.K. Ropes	6.10 n.
STORAGE	
Dairy Farms (old)	23.35 s.
Dairy Farms (new)	22.00 n.
Watsons	6.70 sa.
Lane, Crawfords	7 1/2 n.
Sincere	1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	41 n.
Powell, Ltd.	2 n.
COTTON MILL	
Ewo Sh.	42 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	170 n.
Zong Sing Sh.	.05 n.
Wing On Textiles Sh.	48 1/2 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Entertainments	7.40 n.
Constructions (old)	1 1/4 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	8 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	50% p
G. Bonds	100% p
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	100% p
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	95 1/2 sa.
Marsmans (Lon.) s/-	14/0 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/-	4/0 n.

137,000 Go On Strike In Bombay

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BOMBAY, Mar. 4 (UP).—A textile workers' strike has rendered 45 mills idle and put 137,000 people out of work.

The strikers represent 90 per cent. of Bombay's industry and are demanding a 25 per cent. increase in wages owing to the rise in the cost of living.

The mill owners have agreed to a 10 per cent. increase.

Wealthy Man Kidnapped Shanghai Incident

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SHANGHAI, March 5 (UP).—Three Chinese armed with military Mauser pistols rushed into the Chinese-owned Burlington Hotel restaurant yesterday and held up the manager Mr. Wang Tse-chaun. They bundled him into a waiting motor-car which rapidly sped off.

The kidnapping is not believed to have any political connection. It is reported that Mr. Wang is very wealthy and which reason the police expect the kidnappers to ask for ransom.

Those Peace Proposals

Tavistock's "Terms" Repudiated

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wire- less).—The story of the alleged German peace terms which the Marquis of Tavistock was supposed to have obtained from the German Minister in Dublin was the subject of questions in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that no special facilities were given Lord Tavistock to visit Dublin. On his return, he published certain proposals which, it was claimed, represented the terms on which the German Government would conclude peace.

German Repudiation
These proposals had been previously communicated by Lord Tavistock to the Foreign Secretary.

Apart from what may have been the merits or demerits of the proposals, there is no evidence to show that they emanated from the German Government or that they could be regarded as authentic.

Mr. Butler added: "I notice that the German Government and the German Legation in Dublin have officially repudiated these proposals."

In replying to a supplementary question, Mr. Butler pointed out again that Lord Tavistock was not acting in any way on behalf of the British Government.

WEATHER SO COLD FOOD IS FROZEN

—FROM PAGE ONE

Food Must Be Thawed Out
The men on watch in the open fields were without any heat except that generated by a small charcoal burner in a tiny dugout where they could obtain temporary relief from the biting cold.

Food was brought in iron kettles from the rear and usually arrived frozen and had to be placed over charcoal burners to be made edible. Even the wine froze in casks.

Change of clothing or the removal of any garment was out of the question, and the men in some sectors had been on duty for a considerable stretch of days and nights without relief.

Incredible Stamina
The stamina of these men was almost incredible. They seemed somehow to have accustomed themselves to their difficult lot and jested over their hardships.

Fatigue was ignored because lack of vigilance would certainly invite attack from enemy patrol.

After a long vigil in a tiny post in an open field swept by biting winds and snowdrifts the face and hands of these men were blackened by the fumes from the charcoal burners inside the dugouts where they spent their rest periods.

Officers Share Miseries
The officers shared the lot of their men and nowhere in these exposed sectors did they enjoy any comforts of which their men were deprived.

The excellent morale of the men was in a large measure maintained by the daily visits of the Colonel who traversed the length and breadth of his sector having a word with the men in each post and taking a note of their requests.

I noticed that efforts were made by Colonels and Battalion Commanders to prevent their men from taking unwarranted risks. The loss of several men in patrol or through bombardment has become a matter of deep concern to the officers.

Expressing a desire to avoid the useless loss of life we heard one Staff Captain tell a hardy line officer, who had distinguished himself in patrol fighting and had apparently taken risks, that "We aren't here to get killed. We are here to knock-off the enemy. Be careful and don't take useless risks."

STUPID REPORT DENIED

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wire- less).—In the House of Commons to-day, the Minister of Information took the opportunity in answering a question to state that there was no foundation in fact for allegations that British search of U.S. mail was being used, for efforts to learn American trade secrets.

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There was a strongish wind blowing diagonally across the ground from the north east and the temperature was much too low for comfortable cricket.

ALL BUT!

ERBIE ZIMMERMAN decided to go in first, and after Lim had been over our outposts and had been over with his brother Francis (44) before being bowled by Denyer. Esma (24) E. A. Lee (30) A. K. Isma (21) and Hulse (17) all helped guard

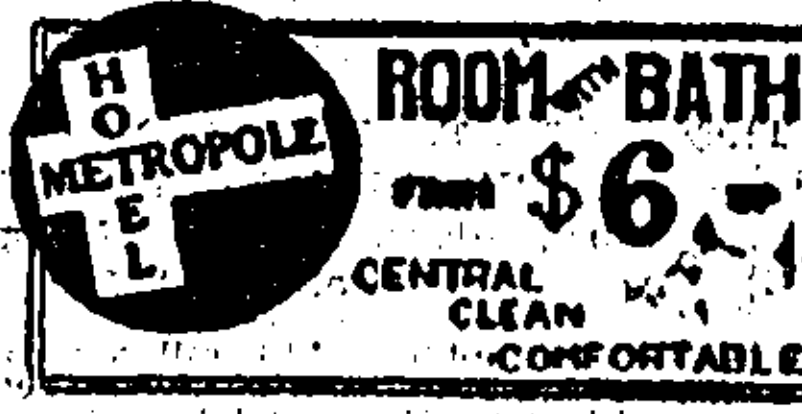
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IN the past, after the automatic award of a goal, the umpire has and there have been other adjustments throughout the code.

C. G. Anderson, W. A. Horn and F. J. Horn v. M. L. Da Rosa and B. Da Rosa
H. J. Gross and W. C. Huang v. W. Slaw
C. Milne; Dr. into next row. Slaw
drawn by H. Kew and E. F. Fincher
M. F. Piana and F. J. Remedios

By Order, **O. B. BROWN,**
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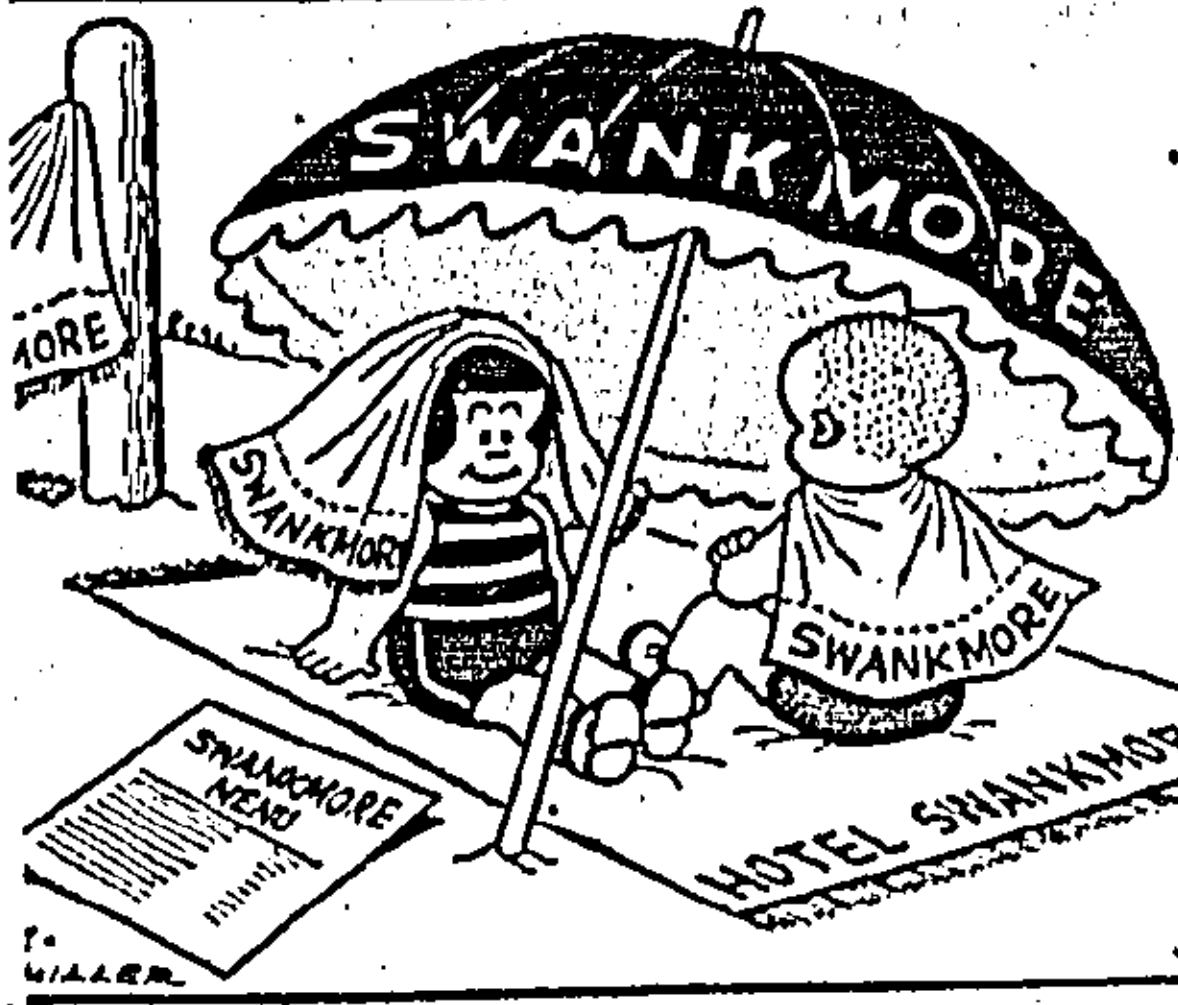
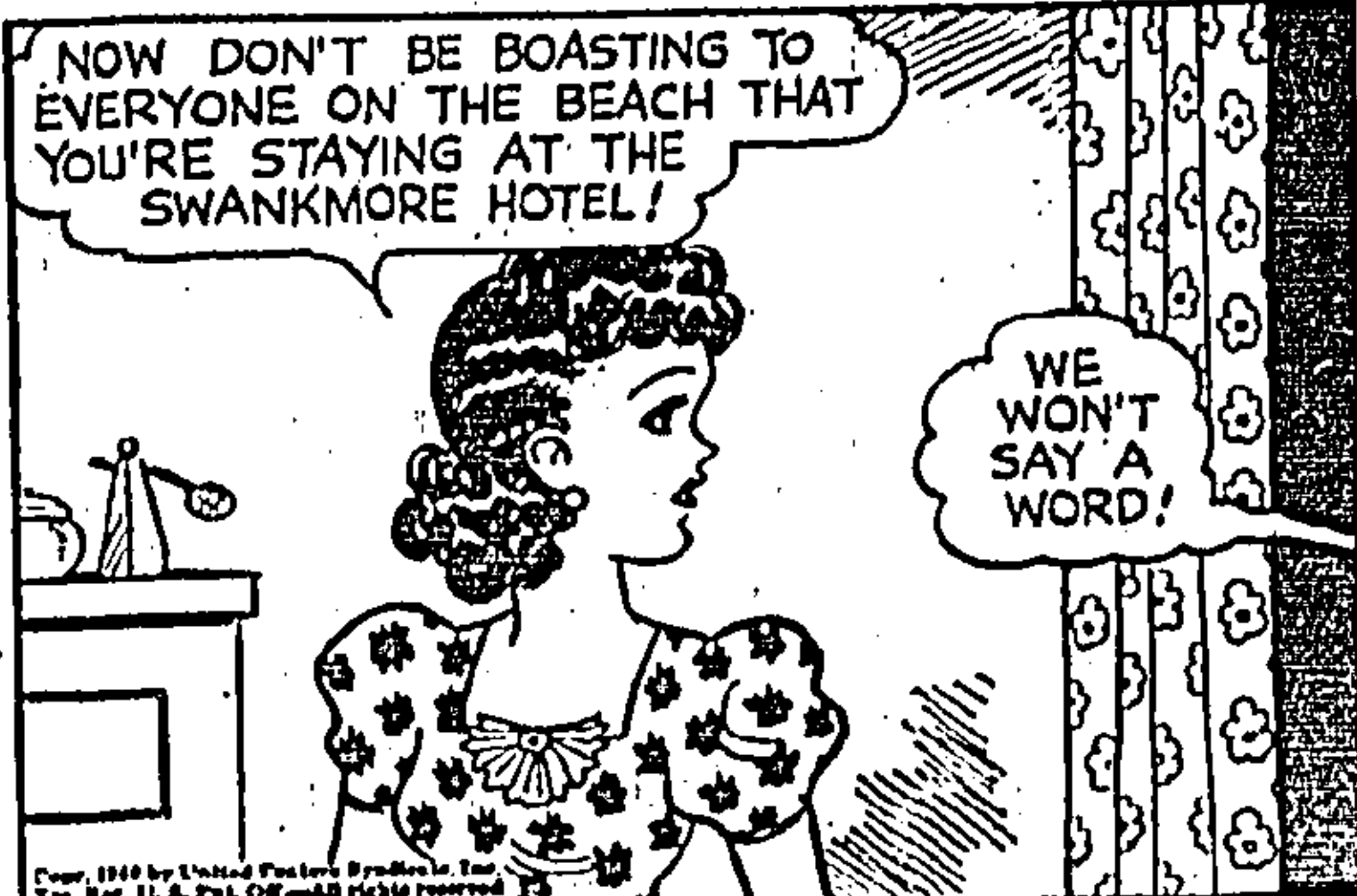
AWARDED GOAL
IN the past, after the automatic

The right of way has been clarified and there have been other edicts

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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

PROSPECTS OF PEACE

Finnish Leaders May Oppose Unjust Terms

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The possibility of peace proposals being advanced for the Finnish war as soon as the Russians have entered Viborg and speculation about the political situation in Finland are occupying the close attention of foreign diplomatic circles here to-day.

The internal political situation in Finland is now considered to be at least as important as the military situation.

The position appears to be that not only German but many Scandinavian circles would like to see peace made in Finland.

But it is believed that Field Marshal Mannerheim and the Army leaders would resolutely oppose any proposal to make peace on terms which they have regarded as unsatisfactory.

OBITUARY

Dr. Karl Muck Passes Away

Conductor Who Was Interned in 1917

STUTTGART, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The death is announced here of Dr. Karl Muck, the famous German conductor.

Born at Wurzburg nearly 61 years ago, Dr. Muck took an early interest in music. When 11 years of age, he took part as a pianist in chamber music concerts and as a violinist in symphony concerts.

He attended Heidelberg University from which he later went to Leipzig to study philosophy and the classics, at the same time taking lessons at the Conservatoire.

At the age of 20, he made his debut as a solo pianist at the famous Leipzig Gewandhaus concerts.

He then became a chorus director at Zurich Town Theatre from which he went to Salzburg as conductor at the theatre.

In 1906 he was appointed first conductor at the German Theatre in Prague. He frequently visited Berlin and in 1901 was made first conductor at the Royal Opera there and later was appointed director-general of the Court Opera at Munich.

In 1912, he went to America to direct the Boston Symphony Orchestra. His great success there was cut short by the outbreak of the war and later, when America declared war, he was interned.

In 1919 he returned to Germany where he continued his work. Three years later he was appointed director of the Philharmonic concerts in Hamburg.

Our Guide To The Cinema

"Huckleberry Finn" (Maestic).—Mickey Rooney as the hero of Mark Twain's story, in his adventures with the runaway slave, the two confidence men, the riverboat captain, and the gentle maiden whom he rescued from the swindlers. The lynching that he prevented by reappearing in time to prove that he had not been murdered is the climax of the picture. With Walter Connolly, William Frawley, Rex Ingram and Lynn Currier.

"Made for Each Other" (Oriental).—A glimpse, comic as well as wistful, of the trials of a young married couple. Starring James Stewart and Carole Lombard.

EVADED POSTAL CENSORSHIP

BOMBAY, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Two German women, a Dutch woman and four Italian women have been sentenced to one day's imprisonment each for evading postal censorship. One of the German women wrote letters mentioning troopship movements.

A BOMBING SQUADRON SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE



FRENCH airmen ready to take off on a bombing flight over Germany from a base "Somewhere in France."—Domci.

Dramatic Stories of B.I. Liner Outrage Told By Survivors:
Two Women Among 100 Missing From The Domala

RESCUE LINER STRAFED AND BOMBED BY NAZIS

Neutrals Attacked Dutch Ships Are Chief Victims

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" AMSTERDAM, Mar. 4 (UP).—Reports from Ostend state that two Dutch coastal vessels, the De Ruyter (348 tons) from Scheveningen and the Limburg (345 tons) from Terneuzen, have arrived at Ostend with a cargo of coal from England destined for Belgium.

The report said a warplane of unknown nationality machine-gunned both ships shortly after their departure from England but neither suffered much damage and there were no casualties.

Wreckage Found

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Dutch steamer, Rijnstrom, of 695 tons, which left the Downs yesterday for Amsterdam, has failed to arrive, and it is regarded as certain that she has been sunk.

A life-boat, life-belts and a quantity of merchandise, believed to belong to her, were found floating. It is hoped that the crew of 12 have escaped in the ship's other boat.

36 Hours On Raft

Three survivors of the crew of five of the small Dutch coastal vessel, Elziena, which was the victim of an attack by a German bomber, were landed at a north-east coast port in England to-day after 36 hours at sea on a raft.

The master and the engineer were killed as the result of bombing and two of the survivors were injured.

The Elziena indicated her nationality by large flags painted on the side.

Survivors in New York

The Dutch liner, Minasdam, has arrived in New York with 27 sailors picked up after the Finnish steamer, Wilja, 3,300 tons, was torpedoed in the North Sea.

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It is officially stated that of the 295 aboard the B.I. steamer Domala, which was bombed in the English Channel on Saturday, 100 are missing.

Those missing are made up of 19 European officers, 36 native crew and 45 native passengers. There were 143 native passengers altogether.

Among the missing are only two women, both stewardesses, who are believed to have been killed instantly by the explosion.

Attacked Dutch Ship. The Dutch ship, Jonger Wilhelm, which picked up the survivors of the B.I. steamer, was herself attacked by a Nazi plane half an hour earlier, presumably by the same one.

As in the case of the Domala, the plane was seen in the half-darkness flying low overhead with navigation lights full on.

The Dutch ship similarly took the Heinkel bomber for a British plane but discovered its mistake when a bomb dropped only 20 feet away.

The plane then dived repeatedly, sweeping the decks with its machine-guns.

Fortunately there were no casualties.

Four other Dutch ships have been attacked in the North Sea. In addition to the 2,240-ton Schelland and two smaller boats, they included a Dutch coastal vessel, which was bombed. The Captain and engineer were killed. The three survivors have landed at a British port after being adrift on a raft for 36 hours.

Graphic Stories of the rescue of the victims of the Domala outrage were related when survivors landed in England.

An aeroplane, which helped the warship in a search for survivors, spotted a raft on which was clinging Cadet Duval, aged 17, who had been in the sea for two hours.

Cadet Duval was badly frozen and the sailors made a living chain over the warship to rescue him.

Six other Europeans were overcome and washed off the raft.

Junior Engineer Dun, of Kelly, Elfo, who was in the engine room when the first bomb exploded, received a broken leg and severe burns but crawled along the terrace, then along the length of the ship and clambered up a 40 ft. ladder to the poop.

He lowered himself overboard on the chance of being picked up but died after being rescued.

Terrible Fire. The Chief Officer of the vessel, Mr. Brown, described the scenes after the liner had been bombed and set on fire.

He said that it was a terrible fire and the fumes added to the heavy sea, made rescue work very difficult.

The last he saw of Captain W. Litt was as he stood on the bridge. He went to report to the Captain that the vessel was on fire amidships and

BLANKETED BY FOG

Nature Anticipates To-night's Blackout

To-night's air raid blackout was anticipated by nature by about twelve hours to-day when the harbour and surrounding neighbourhood were blanketed by heavy fog.

For several hours up to 8 o'clock this morning the fog was so dense in the harbour that ferry services were delayed and other craft were forced to feel their way cautiously, guided by sirens.

Road Traffic Affected. Road traffic was also affected and "go slow" became automatic with drivers. A slight drizzle did not add to the general discomfort, the road surfaces being made extremely slippery and difficult to negotiate.

It is believed that shipping will be held up outside of the harbour. The fog, not a very prevalent phenomenon in Hongkong, followed yesterday's freak hailstorm in Kowloon.

According to the weather forecast Hongkong during the next 24 hours will experience light east and south-east winds. It will be cloudy with fog, and probably there will be some rain later.

The Captain then gave orders to abandon ship. They managed to get all boats off, but one was damaged by a bomb explosion.

As the bomber finally departed, the tail gunner fired at the ship's anti-aircraft gun crew, but did not hit them.

The Indian passengers, who were all seamen who had been employed in German ships, were naturally frightened, but their behaviour throughout was good and there was no panic.

Lashed Together. Mr. Brown said that the last to leave the ship were the butcher and himself. He lashed the butcher to the same rope as himself and together they jumped for it. They were in the water five or ten minutes before being pulled across to a warship.

The Third Officer, Mr. J. A. Taylor, said that after being blown out of his bunk he dashed to his action station at the anti-aircraft gun, but they fired only one round before the Heinkel had finished her bombing and flown away after a final burst of machine-gun fire.

CARVE UP OF POLAND

Russo-Nazi Commission Completes Work

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Mar. 4 (UP).—It is announced that the Soviet-German Border Commission has completed the demarcation of the boundary in Poland.

The Commission was set up on October 5 last year pursuant with the Soviet German Treaty. It operated from six cities with Sub-Commissions consisting of 100 men each. The boundary is formed by 820 posts one kilometre apart.

The Commission is now drawing up maps and drafting a special frontier pact and a convention regulating border traffic and river navigation.

3,000 Border Posts. MOSCOW, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The mixed Soviet-German Border Commission set up on October 5 last year to demarcate Soviet-German frontier has now finished its survey.

Nearly 3,000 border posts have been driven in.

The new frontier now has to be ratified by both governments.

German Coal For Italy

Blockade Already In Operation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, March 4 (UP).—Italy's protest against the coal blockade appears to be approaching a "show down."

Dispatches from Rotterdam state that five Italian cargo ships carrying about 30,000 tons of German coal sailed for Italy to-day.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare announces that German coal ships leaving port after midnight on March 1 would be detained.

The British authorities have promised careful and quick consideration of the Italian protest, but they have emphasised that Britain's rights under international law cannot be waived.

The connection between the coal controversy and the suspension of the Anglo-Italian trade negotiations has not been clarified but British sources are hopeful of an agreement being reached in connection with the British desires for Italian war supplies.

Rapid Consideration. LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It was stated in London to-day in connection with Italy's protest over the stoppage of German coal exports that the Note received a most rapid and careful consideration and the British Government will be as accommodating as possible in view of the friendly relations existing between the two countries.

At the same time, in view of Germany's indiscriminate sea warfare it must not be assumed that Britain must waive the rights and interests she maintains under international law.

SHOTS AT CUBAN DICTATOR

HAVANA, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Shots were fired from a car to-day at the country house of Colonel Batista, the Chief-of-Staff of the Cuban Army and virtual ruler of Cuba.

A Police Lieutenant was killed and seven people were wounded.

According to an official account, the Secret Police posted in front of Colonel Batista's house fired on a suspicious looking car, which contained Carlos Marti, a Police Lieutenant, under the former Machado regime, and Silvio Salazar, wanted by the Police in connection with the wounding of Senor Ferrara, the deputy as he was entering the Constituent Assembly a few days ago.

Both were shot dead.

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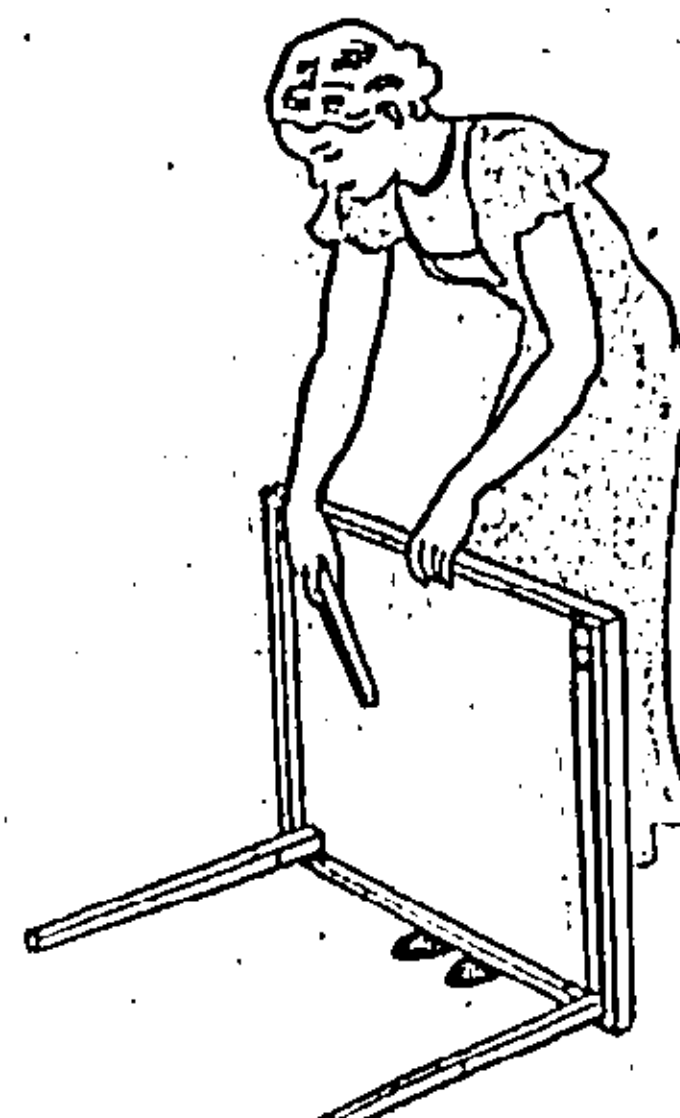
WELLINGTON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the Bank of New Zealand has lent the Government £1,000,000 free of interest for the duration of the war and six months afterwards.

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 4 (UP).—The hearing of the Roosevelt divorce case has been postponed until Thursday owing to the illness of the chief witness, Mr. Cushing.

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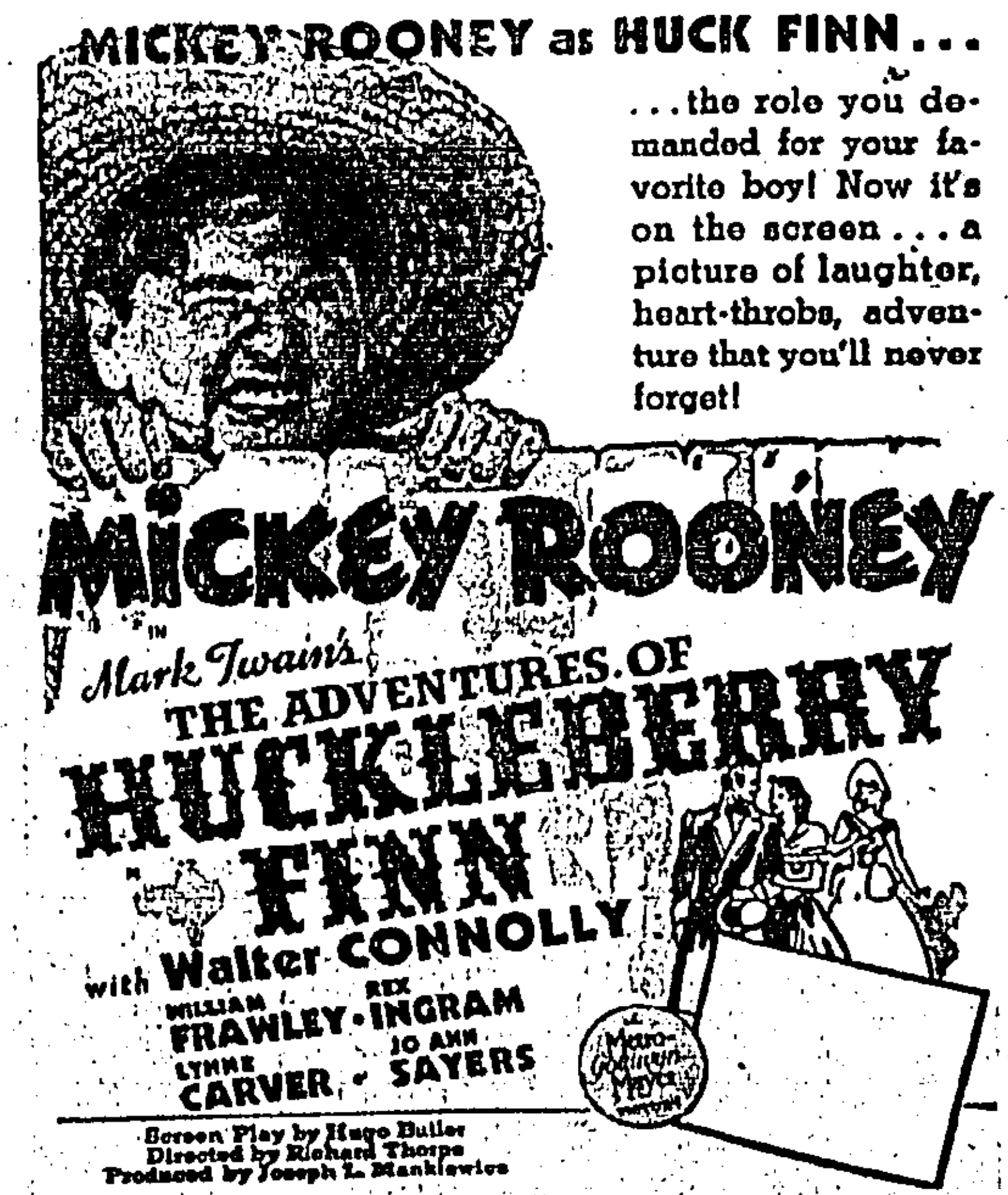
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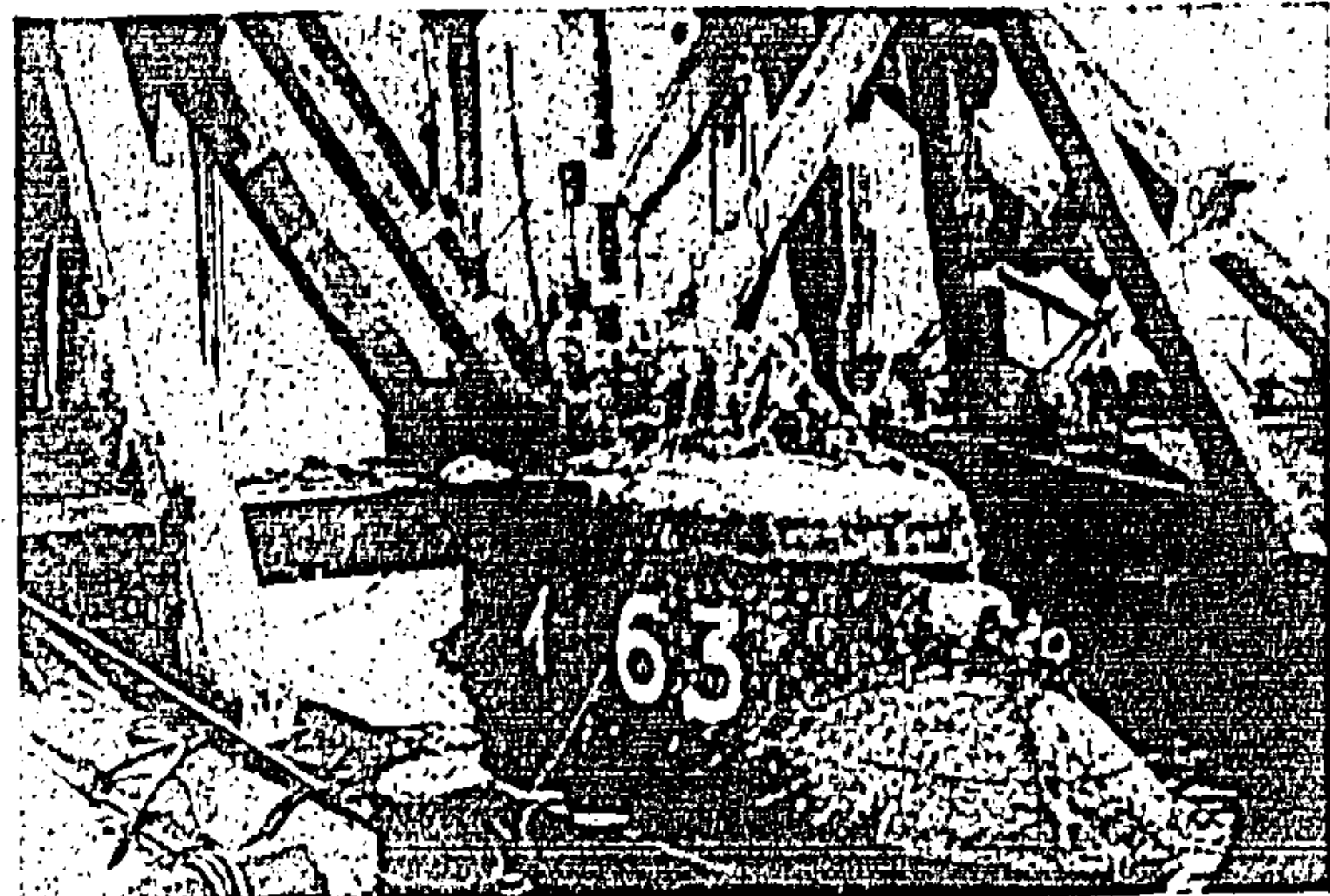


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Sphinx Survivor Tells How Ship Went Down Her Own Oil Was Peril To Swimming Men

WITH bombs raining on them and machine-gun bullets spreading death, the crew of the minesweeper Sphinx went to their posts and about their duties as though on peace-time manoeuvres.
The story of their heroism, not only during the attack, but also when they were struggling in the sea after the Sphinx had capsized, was told by an able-seaman survivor.

JAPANESE SUB. SALVAGED



A FINE FEAT of salvage was successfully concluded by the Japanese Navy which recently raised Submarine 63, lost with all hands in a collision with a destroyer. The conning tower of the vessel is shown in photograph above.—Domei.

PRINCE MICHAEL IS READY TO MARRY

NOW that Prince Michael of Rumania has come of age—it's eighteen, not twenty-one, for royalty—his countrymen are wondering who will be chosen as his wife and their future queen.

Nothing has been disclosed by the royal family, but people close to the Court believe that King Carol is seriously considering the twin daughters of his cousin, Prince Frederick Victor, head of the house of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen.

Some of the more romantically inclined in Bukarest say Carol has suggested that Michael should choose one of the twins and that the Prince is studying their photographs, unable to make up his mind.

They are the Princess Marie Antoinette and the Princess Marie Aldegond, just turned nineteen and eight months older than Michael. Marie was Michael's grandmother's name. Michael, a healthy, handsome, dimpled Prince, was made a Senator, member of the Rumanian Academy and a Lieutenant in the Army on his eighteenth birthday.

His stately bearing as he attended the funeral of the assassinated Premier Armand Calinescu, clad in a white cape, impressed Rumanians deeply, says Associated Press.

When he assumes the Crown, Michael will be the only King in history to have preceded and succeeded his father on the throne.

Iron Guard Plot

On the death of his grandfather, King Ferdinand, in 1927, Michael became King under a Regency. Carol was in exile in France, having renounced his rights to the succession when he left Rumania rather than give up his friend Mme. Magda Lupescu.

In 1930 Carol returned, gained the throne and Michael became Crown Prince.

In his days as Boy King Michael was supposed to be under the influence of his grandmother, the late Queen Marie. Carol is credited with breaking that influence when he returned. He gave Michael new tutors,

and began to teach him the art of kingship according to his own ideas.

Then anti-Carol Iron Guardists are said to have tried to control the young Prince through one of his tutors with a view to assassinating Carol and placing the boy again on the throne as their puppet. Carol dismissed the tutor and smashed the conspiracy.

Michael has had a stern education. He rises early, lives simply and spends long hours in study.

Youthful Escapade

He has mastered Rumanian, French, German and English.

Michael loves sports, especially ski-ing, tennis and riding. One of his sports companions has been Mlle. Lulu Malaxa, young daughter of Rumania's biggest industrialist.

Despite his father's watchful eye and the strict discipline imposed on Michael, it is reported in Bukarest that at a Boy Scout camp last summer he got into a youthful scrape, which had to be paid for by State funds.

King Carol, aroused by the escapade, is said to have punished his son with two weeks' imprisonment in one of the royal castles.

Michael is his father's heir, but not his eldest son. Carol has a twenty-year-old son, legitimate but morose, living in France. He is Alexander, the son of Zizi Lambrino, with whom Carol eloped during the last war and whom he married in Odessa.

The twin Princesses of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen live at the Chateau of Sigmaringen, in Germany.

He lives at Lound, (Suffolk). He said: "Two bombers attacked us from out of the clouds, but there was not the least sign of panic. Everyone went about his job."

"One bomb must have killed Commander J. R. N. Taylor and four of the men."

Deck Curled Over

"The whole of the foredeck was thrown into the air by a bomb and it curled right backwards in one great piece over the middle of the ship."

"When the planes left us after 20 minutes, another vessel began to tow us, but early next morning the tow-ropes broke."

"The seas were heavy, and we tossed about, unable to use our engines except for reversing."

"We tried to keep her head into the wind, but had only our steering gear to rely on, and then—it happened in a minute—a wave from the side capsized us."

"I just flung off my shoes and was in the sea. I saw men going down with the ship. Others were clinging to oars in the icy water."

He Never Made It

"Heads were bobbing all around me in the darkness. It was terrible."

"To try and save the ship by clinging to the seas, we had let out our fuel oil. This now began to get into our mouths."

"Your only chance was to hold your breath when one wave came and take your chance of breathing in the trough. Even so, the oil made us cough."

"One man near me left an oar to swim to a plank. He never made it. "Some of the crew were calling out about their people left at home. "Then a great light shone, and I realised it was a searchlight. I swam into the beam until a line came into my hands."

The Lost Watch

"I pulled it around my shoulders and was hauled into a ship, where I collapsed."

"They told me that 44 men had been pulled out of the water."

"I do not think I should have come through if I had not kept telling myself how good it would be to get back to safety."

The sailor added that he lost a watch given him by his mother on his nineteenth birthday, just before the ship sailed.

Six Months Of War

Review By London
Newspapers

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Most of to-day's British Press gave editorial space to the review of the past six months of war.

The "Times" stresses Germany's need for peace and how her Nazi leaders had hoped to hold off the western powers while they consolidated their eastern conquests. Such a peace was unthinkable.

Delay has favoured the less well-prepared party to the conflict. The Allies have made more ground just as they had more ground to make up.

Value Of Long Respite

The "Daily Telegraph" too stresses the value of the long respite, enabling the Allies to marshal their resources.

Taking as its theme Mr. Chamberlain's remark on the opening day of the war that we were fighting against evil things, the "Daily Mail" says that we knew then how evil those things were, but we have learnt also since. This has strengthened our conviction that they must be opposed by war.

The "Yorkshire Post," dealing with Mr. Sumner Welles' visit to Berlin, says that he has undergone an experience which will earn him the sympathy of many European statesmen and diplomats. He has sat closeted with Hitler, listening to one of Der Fuehrer's interminable harangues.

Listened Patiently

Only Nazi accounts of what happened are available, but it is clear that he must have listened very patiently, for he is considered to have made an excellent impression on Der Fuehrer. The "Daily Express" also emphasises that the only reports about the Sumner Welles-Hitler talk have come from Nazi circles. The paper says that these show that the German leaders are more anxious than any one else.

Hawkins Arrives At Montevideo

MONTVIDEO, Mr. 4 (Reuter).—The British cruiser, Hawkins, with Rear Admiral Sir Henry Harwood, has arrived here for a one-day visit. It is understood that no fuel or supplies will be taken aboard.

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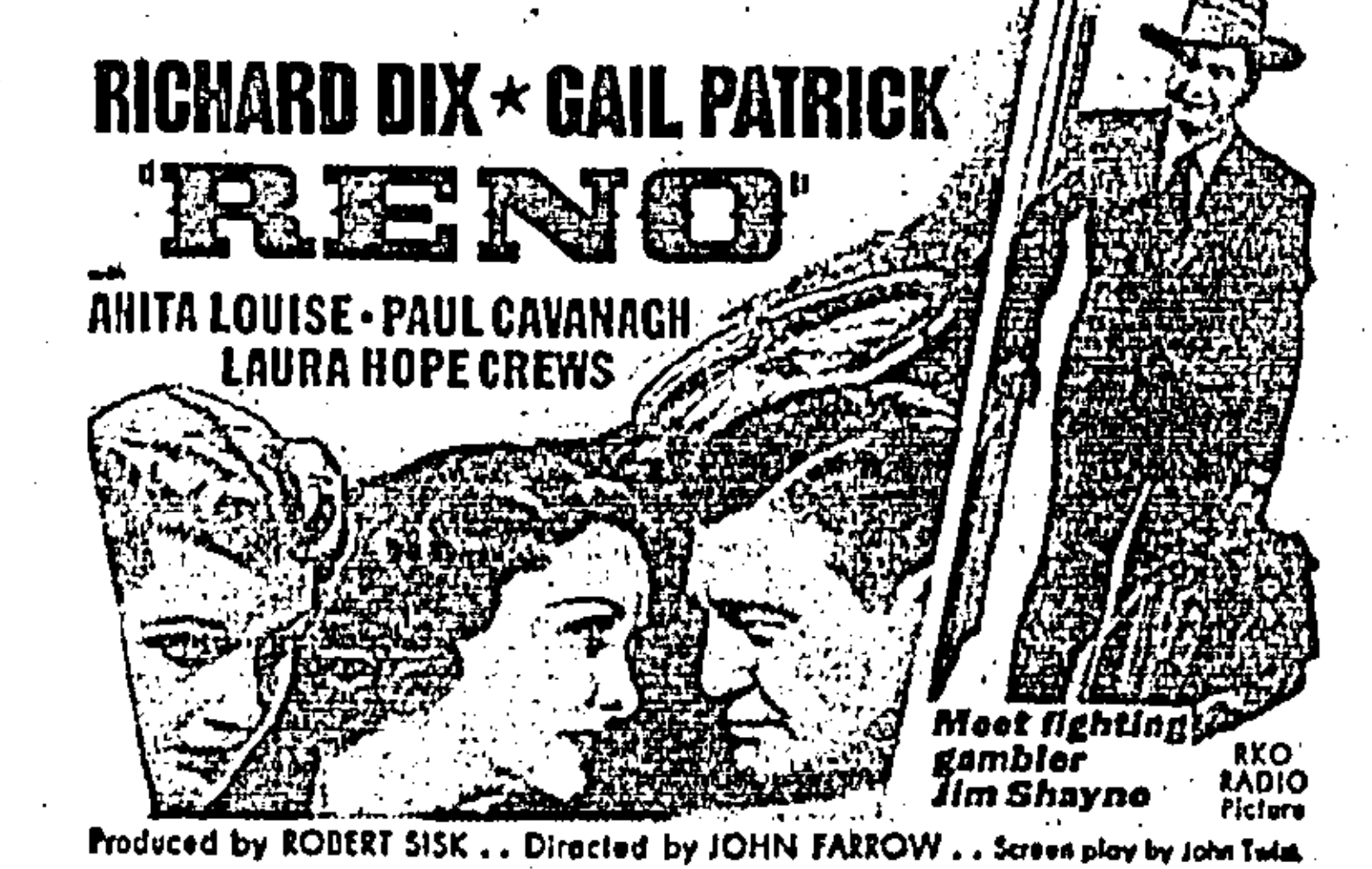


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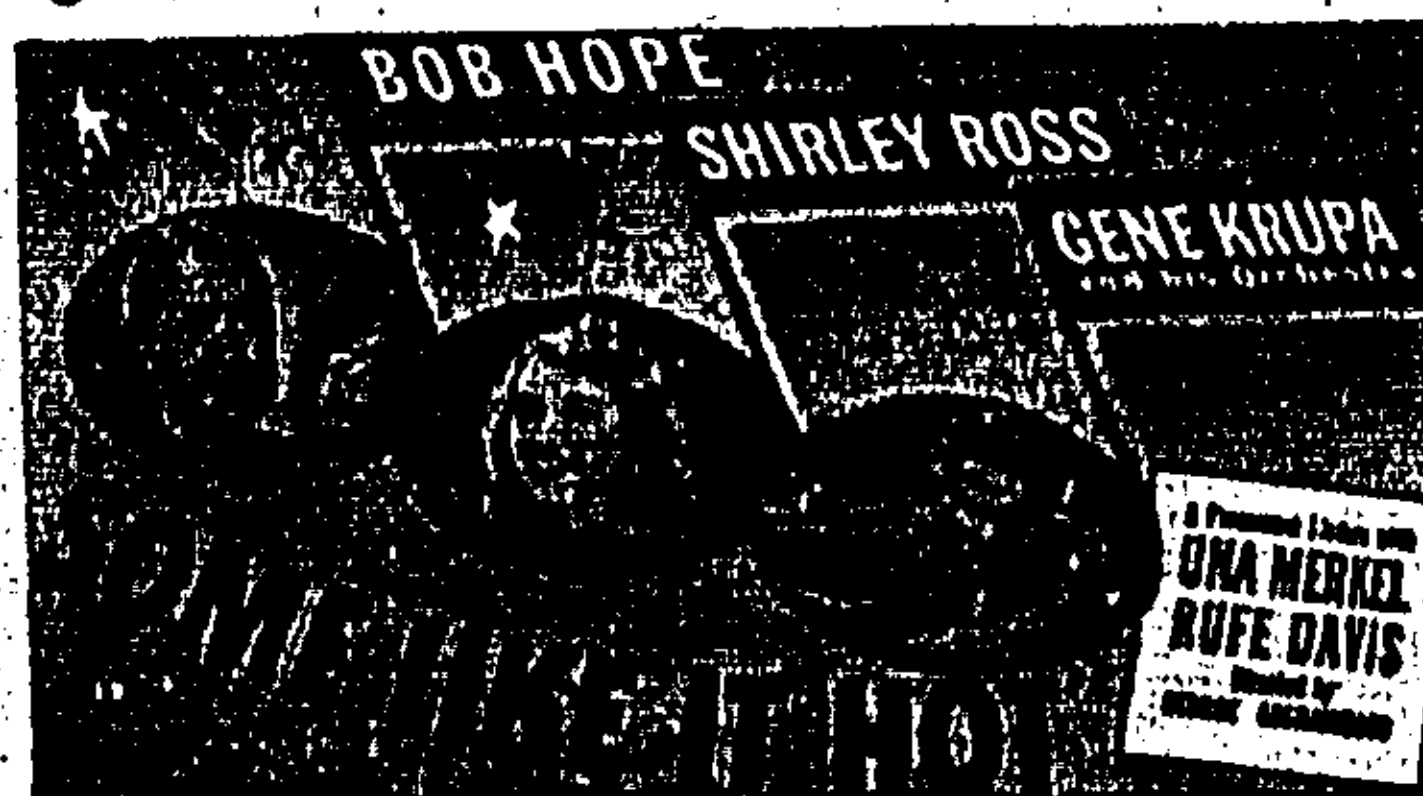
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1.45 Anna Dorfmann at the Piano.

Concerto No. 1 in G Minor (Mendelssohn, Op. 25) with the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Goch; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 19 (Liszt).

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Variety with Arthur Askey and Jessie Matthews.

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7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado," "Trial By Jury," "Iolanthe."

8.25 A Light Orchestral Concert with Tino Rossi (Tenor) and Miliza Korjus (Soprano).

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

A discussion on the point of view of the neutrals.

9.45 Songs by Turner Layton at the Piano.

9.55 Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Bollington (Organ).

10.08 Variety and Dance Music.

11.00 Close Down.

Soviet Denies Charges

Moscow, Mar. 4.
The Soviet Communists in a statement answering the Finnish note to the League of Nations says that the Finnish version of Soviet war methods is a malicious one. The statement claims that Soviet planes never bombed civilians. It denies the use of prisoners as shields, use of poison gas or violation of the laws of maritime warfare.

It states that the charges will be of no more avail than the tactics of Finnish officers who, before the surrender of military positions on the Karelian Isthmus, placed Finnish soldiers against the walls and shot them for not wanting to continue the fight for a hopeless cause.—United Press.

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Elizabeth arose testily from the table where she had been playing at chess with Lady Penelope Grey, and swept rustlingly across the firelit, tapestried chamber, past her ladies-in-waiting, her glittering, high-ruffled, brocaded form reflected in the mirrored walls.

The lovely Penelope, still harbouring her secret grudge against the Queen for her appropriation of Essex—although he had galloped away to heaven-knew where after Elizabeth had delivered the stinging blow to his person and his pride—responded to the Queen with sweet duplicity. "By Your Grace, Your Majesty, Sir Walter Raleigh has lately written an answer to Master Marlowe's 'The Passionate Shepherd to His Love'."

"Well..." retorted Elizabeth from the semi-seclusion of her dressing room, where, mirror in hand, she was scrutinizing her aging face, "What about it?" "With your permission, Your Grace, I'll sing it—if Mistress Margaret Radcliffe will take Marlowe's verses against me!" "By all means..." called the Queen, "A tournament of song!"

"Are you mad, Pen?" Margaret whispered in terror, "She'll beat us or send us to the Tower."

THE STORY THUS FAR: London, 1596. The British fleet is in the harbour just returned from the successful storming of Cadiz in Spain. The young Earl of Essex, leader of the expedition—with his two subordinates, Sir Walter Raleigh and Lord Howard—are summoned to appear before the tempestuous Queen Elizabeth whose mad infatuation for Essex is notorious. Essex is enraged when the Queen, instead of praising him for his heroism, denounce him, claiming that his deeds were actuated by selfishness. She elevates Raleigh and Howard to high places in the Kingdom, and when Essex, angrily protests, strikes him across the face. He retorts insultingly, turns his back on the Queen, and exiles himself from London.

All went well until Penelope's exquisitely malicious voice sang: "But could youth last, and love still love—had joy no date, nor age no need..." A terrific crash interrupted, and Elizabeth, the remains of the shattered mirror in her hand, burst into the room and stood staring insanely at Penelope.

"So you brazen wench!" she screamed, "You defy me! You dare hold your Queen up for ridicule! You forward hussy, look at you! Because a gentleman once glanced at you, does it entitle you to come into my presence dressed like an indecent hedge drab? Out of my sight, you shameless baggage!"

AS the trembling Penelope edged away, Elizabeth, her rage not yet spent, turned on the others. "And the rest of you! Do you stand like a herd of stupid cattle while I am treated so! Do you, too, think I am too old, too ugly, for a man to look on with love!"

Whirling toward one of the long mirrors she hurled the broken hand glass at it, splintering it into

a thousand bits. She wrecked another with a vase. "Take them down!" she shrieked hysterically, "Do you hear me? Smash them! Destroy them! Break every mirror in the Palace! Never let me see one in Whitehall again!"

Mistress Margaret Radcliffe, her beautiful eyes heavy with tears, was following the others out, when the Queen, her hard face softening, called to her. "Why are you crying, Margaret, my dear? You, the most innocent of them all! You've nothing to fear! Look at me—or do you also think your Queen's face too harsh for kindly glances?"

"Oh, no, Your Grace! I think you're lovely! I really do! I was crying because... because I was so frightened and lonely... and I... I cried a little bit for you, too! Forgive me, Your Grace, but you see I, too, know what it is to love some one... and not to be able to see him even... to know what..."

ELIZABETH soothed the girl, asked her about her lover, and finding that he was fighting with Bagenal in Ireland, promised to have him recalled to England at once.

Then, with a heavy sigh, she told Margaret to thank her stars she was not a queen—and "brus-

quely bade her fetch Master Francis Bacon without delay.

The wily Master Francis had no sooner bowed before Elizabeth than she asked him sharply whether he was a friend of the Earl of Essex.

"I am," he answered suavely, "whatever Your Grace desires!" "And whatever your own interest dictates!... Anyway you know Essex better than any other man does. Tell me, why doesn't he return to court?"

"Pride, Your Majesty!" "A pox on his pride!" He's got to come back! I command it! Matters of State require his presence! He's so obstinate he'll never come back unless I humble myself and ask him—and that I'll never do!"

At the moment a spent and travel-stained courier arrived.

"We have been annihilated in Ireland, Your Grace. Tyrone surprised us. Sir William Bagenal is dead... every company... troop... arms... stores... everything... utterly destroyed!"

"All dead!" gasped the Queen. "All! Poor Margaret Radcliffe... poor... poor child! Always wars, blood and death in that unhappy country! I'll put an end to it! Not another man goes to Ireland!"

"Whoever holds Ireland, Madame, points a dagger at England's heart!"

"Oh, Bacon," moaned Elizabeth, "I'm only a woman! Must I carry the weight of the world alone?" "No, Your Majesty! You will form a new army! If you form a new army you'll need a new leader! Order Essex home! He can no longer refuse! It is his duty!"

"What!" cried the Queen, "And send him to ruin and death in Ireland! No, Master Bacon! No... no..."

"As your Grace wishes..."

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With all saucepans, see that the lid fits well, though not so tightly that it is a struggle to take it off. Pay careful attention to the handles, which should be round and grooved, for round handles that are not grooved slip too easily when gripped.

Assure yourself that the saucepan balances well; some light aluminium saucepans tip over, the steel handle being heavier than the pan itself. If the saucepan is very large, there should be a small handle opposite to the main one to assist in lifting when the pan is full.

Aluminium saucepans are easy to choose, for they must be made of a metal of standard purity. They should be fairly heavy and stoutly built. Enamelled saucepans must have a thick, smooth layer of enamel, without blisters or cracks, and the surface must be bright and glossy. Cast-iron saucepans should be tested like the wheels of a train, to see that there is a good "ring."

Once you have bought the saucepan see that it is kept properly. A stout wooden shelf should be made where the saucepans can be kept out of the way and free from knocks when not in use. Remember, also, to make provision for the saucepan lids.

Cleaning Methods

All housewives realise that the greatest enemy of a saucepan is an encrustation of soot, and regularly clean their saucepans. Another shortening of the saucepan's life is burning. This is very easy to do, housewives consider that if they fill the saucepan with soda and water and allow it to boil, the burn will be removed. This is not so. Although the burn will apparently come off, the next time the saucepan is used its contents will burn again.

The only way to deal with this situation is to fill the burnt saucepan with fairly strong salt and water and leave it standing all night. Then bring the contents slowly to the boil and you will find the burnt particles can be rubbed away.

Make a rule of always washing the saucepan while it is still warm. This halves the difficulties of cleaning. All saucepans are best cleaned by rubbing them with a very fine grade of steel wool.

Soda should not be used to clean aluminium saucepans unless they are rinsed immediately.

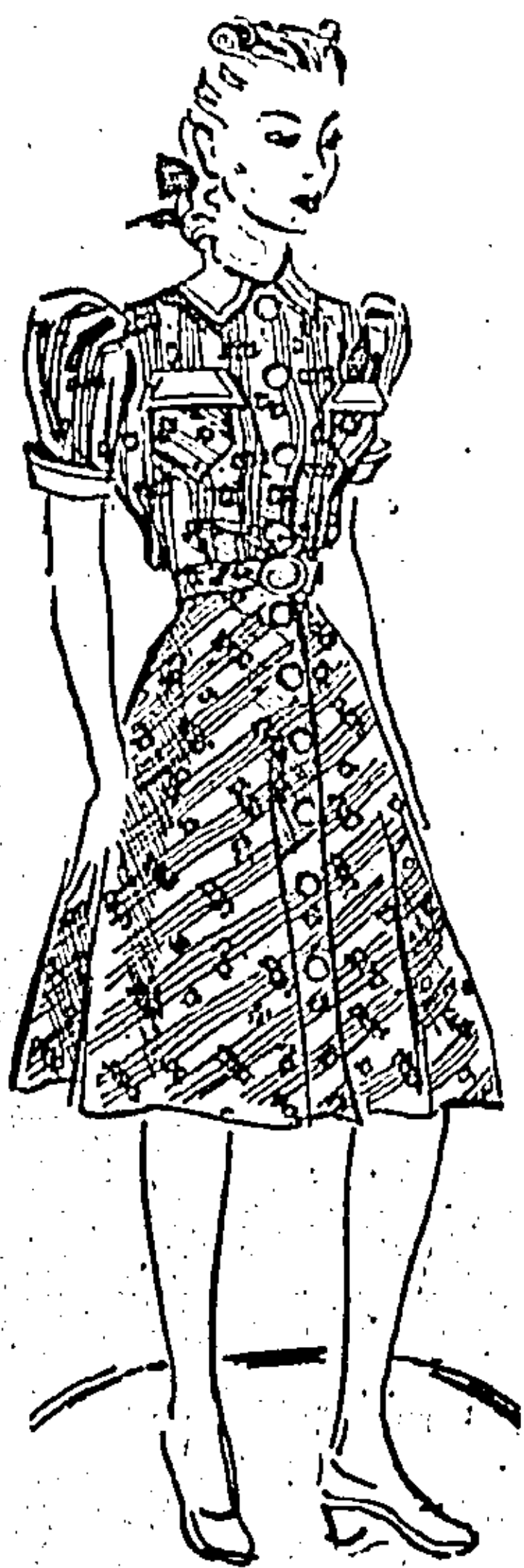
Margaret Foster.

Chocolate And Coconut Cakes

THESE cakes have the advantage of looking and tasting quite rich and expensive whereas actually they are economical and ration-sparing. Sift together half a pound of flour, two level tablespoons of cocoa, and a teaspoonful of baking powder. Add two tablespoons of desiccated coconut.

In a mixing bowl cream four ounces of margarine with the same quantity of soft brown sugar and work in the dry ingredients with a beaten egg and a little milk or water as required. Turn into greased patty tins or paper cases, and bake in a hot oven for ten minutes.

If preferred, a large cake can be made with the mixture, in which case it should be baked in a moderate oven for an hour and a half.



A button-down-the-front shirtwaist dress in blue ground porcelain with red and white stripes and print has dashing pocket flaps, collar and cuffs of white pique.



To make certain that her feet will be ready for parties, this young lady gives them a refreshing rub with chilled bath "friction" after their warm soapy bath. Legs as well as feet and ankles come in for their share of the treatment.

FOOT BATHS AND CREAM MASSAGE

By JACQUELINE HUNT

YOU may have danced through the festive season, but do those toes of yours always feel like dancing now? Winter is the time for real foot ills unless the feet receive extra care. Shoes are heavier unless perfectly fitted tend to cause corns and callouses. Feet get less air and perspiration softens the tissues, leaving them more susceptible to blisters and infection.

Remember this when you walk over hard pavements, stand for hours behind a counter shifting your weight wearily from one foot to another, or hurry upstairs and down on your numerous errands. There is so much you can do to have more comfortable feet. Two or three times a week, or any time when your feet are tired and burning, give them this treatment:

Soak in tepid salt water for five minutes or more. The heat draws out the aches and weariness while the salt solution has a hardening effect on skin and tissues. Now in fresh water, scrub the feet vigorously with a brush and soap. Any good brush with not-too-stiff bristles will do. Get between the toes and scrub gently over any calloused areas.

Hot and Cold Water

The next step is the surprise. Run water as hot as you can then cold alternately over your feet. This forces out sluggish blood and brings in a fresh supply, relieving the congestion that causes swelling and aching. Finish with cold water, or dry your feet off and to be extra kind to them, end with a spraying or rub of eau de Cologne. The latter is mildly astringent, soothing and refreshing.

Drying the feet is something else that should be done with even more care. Always dry thoroughly between the toes, and use the rough surface of your Turkish towel to rub away softened callouses and remove dead cuticle from the nail surface. Now you can dance half the night or be off to bed, thoroughly refreshed. Before slipping on your hose in the morning dust deodorant powder between your toes.

At least once a week, perhaps at the time when you give yourself your regular pedicure, treat your feet to a thorough massage with a rich lubricating cream. Special foot creams are soothing and refreshing, but any good cream will do. Begin with the toes, massaging each one separately and working from the tips up over the ankle. Use both hands, the thumbs on top, the fingers curled around the sides and under the foot. Give special attention to the sole of the foot. Stroke the feet gently upward, ending this part of the treatment with a rotary massage movement in the hollows on either side of the heel.

Remember your feet do not end with your ankles. Continue the massage over the calf of the leg, twisting and kneading the big muscle and stroking firmly upward with both hands encircling the leg. A favourite trick of Ginger Rogers is to finish her foot and leg massage with an ice rub. She covers the piece of ice with a square of gauze and massages thoroughly until the skin tingles. She says this is firming and slimming to her famous dancing legs. It's a refreshing trick for any girl to try.

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Oatmeal On The Menu

GIVE porridge a trial, either for breakfast or supper, and soon it will become one of the household's favourite dishes. Here is a good recipe:

Take 1 pint water and 2 ozs. coarse or medium oatmeal, according to taste, good pinch salt. Draw the water fresh, pour into pan, and bring quickly to the boil. When boiling, sprinkle in the measured meal with the left hand, and keep stirring all the time with the right. When it begins to thicken, draw the pan to the side of the fire and add salt.

Simmer slowly, 30-40 minutes, stirring occasionally, or make it in a double saucepan, keeping the water in the under part boiling all the time. Cooked in this way, it requires little or no attention, and there is no fear of burning. The thickness of the porridge is very much a matter of taste. More or less oatmeal can be used if desired—though the above proportions are the general favourite. Serve with milk, or sugar, syrup, or cream.

Note:—For an invalid, it is perhaps better to soak the oatmeal overnight, as it makes it more digestible, but this alters the taste a little, so is not always so popular with people with healthy appetites.

Oatmeal Gruel

This is the season for colds, and a good, pleasant cure is a bowl of hot gruel, supped after you are safely tucked up in bed.

To make it, put 1 tablespoon oatmeal (fine) into a basin, and soak in ½ pint cold water 30-40 minutes, stirring occasionally. Then strain off the liquid into a small lined saucepan, and press the oatmeal as dry as possible.

Stir till boiling. Boil 5-7 minutes. Sweeten, and add a good pat of margarine. Serve in hot bowl at once.

Thick Oatcakes

One day, when you have some leisure, make a big tin boxful of these oatcakes. They are delicious, and easy to make. Take:—

½ lb medium oatmeal,
¼ lb flour,
½ teaspoon salt,
1 teaspoon sugar,
1 teaspoon baking powder,
3 ozs. margarine or lard,
cold water.
Mix dry ingredients, rub in fat, and add enough water to make a stiff dough. Knead lightly, and roll out to ¼-inch in thickness.

Cut in shapes, place on greased tin, and bake in a moderate oven 20 minutes. When cold, pack in airtight tin.

Ways With Tongue

A BOILED tongue is an ideal "stand-by" to have in the larder. It can be eaten hot or cold, and the "scraps" will make delicious sandwiches.

On Tongue

Tongues are sold either pickled or fresh. Choose a plump looking one with a smooth skin. Wash thoroughly, and soak 1-2 hours. If pickled, soak 3-4 hours. Put into a deep pan of tepid water, bring slowly to the boil and skim. Then add a few blocks carrot, turnip, onion, and a bunch of herbs.

Cook gently for about 4 hours, or according to weight, allowing 30 minutes to each lb. and 30 minutes over. Remove from pan, place in cold water for a second. Skin, beginning under the tip. If the tongue is to be used hot, reheat in the liquor for a few minutes. It can be served with tomato or brown sauce, chestnut puree, or vegetable.

To Serve Cold

To serve cold set on a board, stick a fork or two skewers into board in front of tip, and a skewer into root; this is to get it into an arched shape. When quite cold, trim the root end, take out skewers, and brush over with a little glaze. Fix a frill round the root end.

Some of us find a tongue easier to carve if served in a round. To do this, after skinning tongue, place it in a round tin, rinsed in cold water. It should fit in tightly. Add a little gelatine to a little of the liquid in which the tongue has been boiled. Pour over the tongue. Place a plate on top of tin, with weights or a flat iron, to keep plate down. Set aside till cold and set. Turn on to a round ashet, and decorate with parsley and tomatoes.

Isobel.

How To Avoid Headaches

PERSISTENT and constantly recurring headaches obviously demand medical attention, but there are some headaches that we bring upon ourselves, and which we can prevent.

Avoid sudden exertion after meals. Do not eat a heavy meal immediately after you have tired yourself out with physical exercise, or when your feet are cold. Rest for a quarter of an hour, get your feet warm, and then take a light meal.

Do not employ hard physical exercise as an antidote to severe mental effort. The best restorative is an easy walk.

Eschew a too meaty diet and cooked fats. Keep to freshly cooked foods, as far as possible of a vegetarian nature.

Worry is responsible for many headaches that are assigned to other causes.

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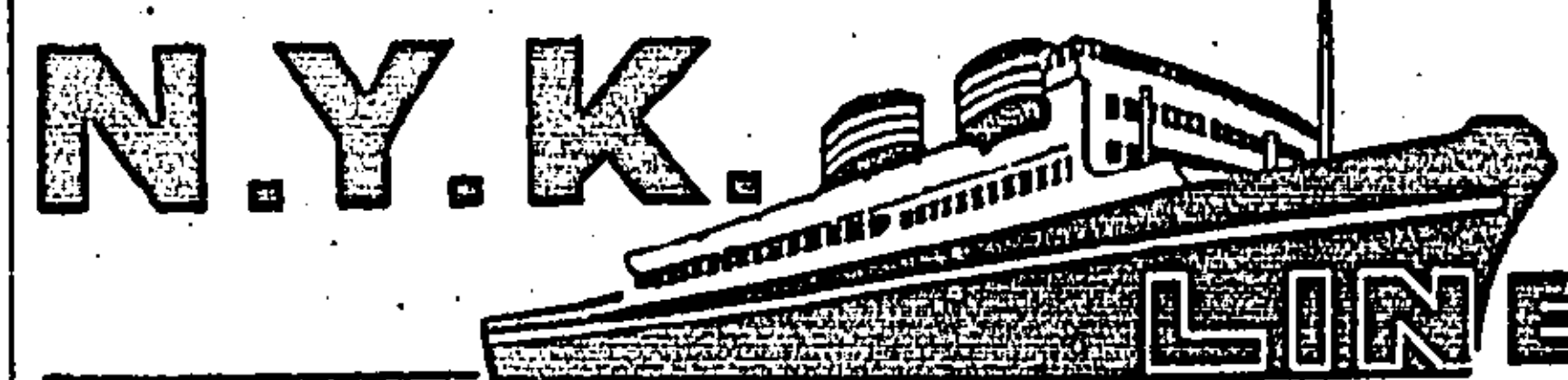
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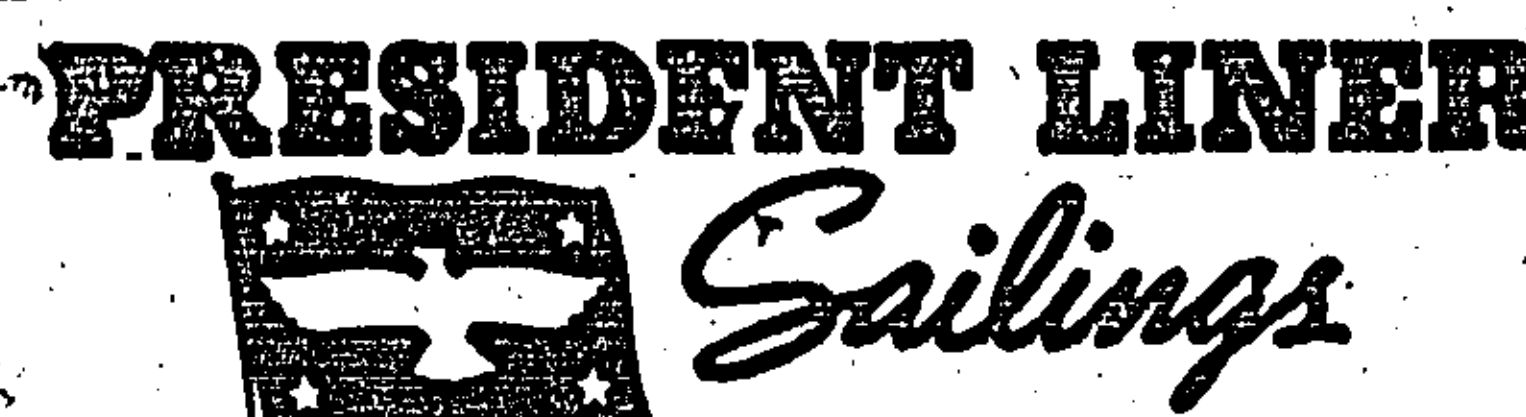
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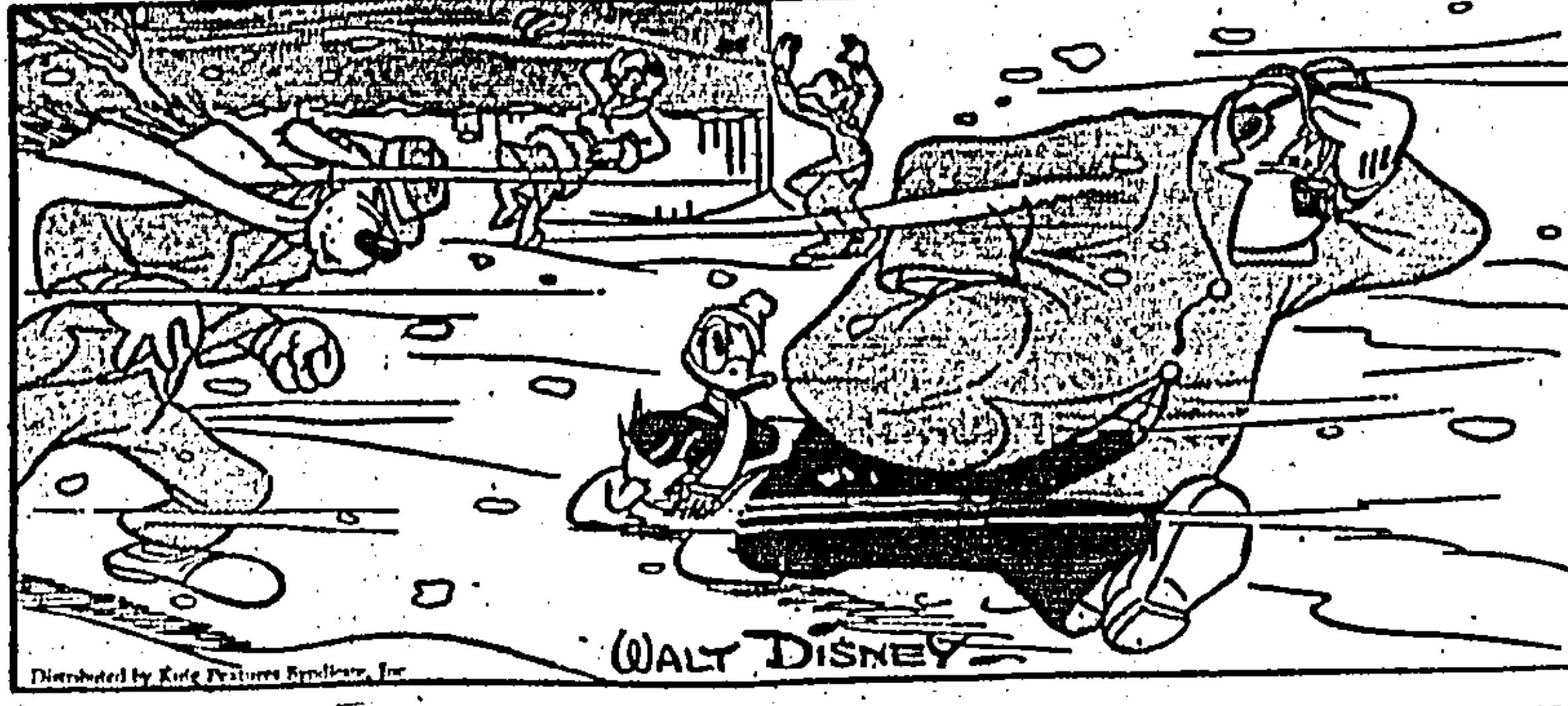
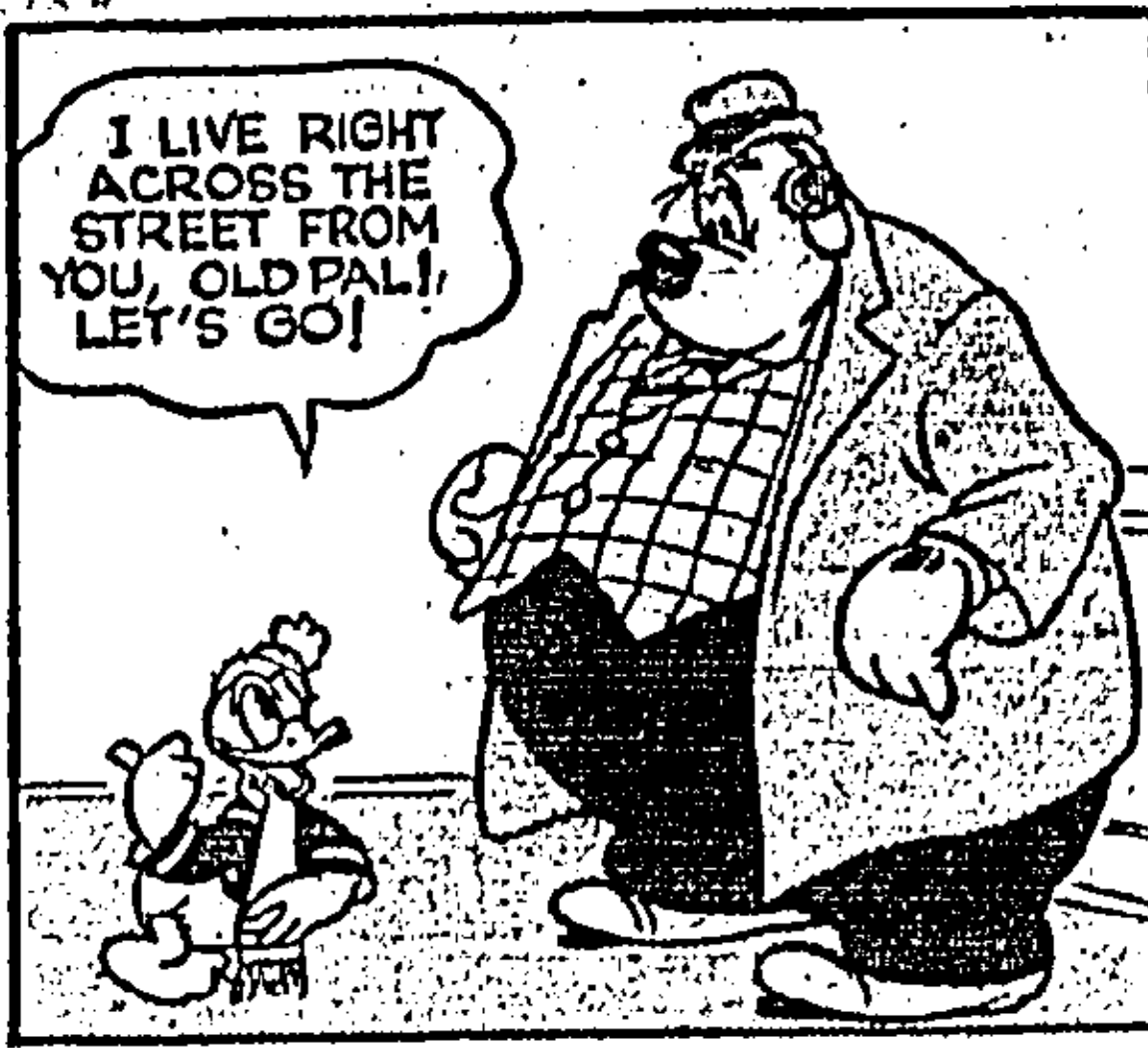
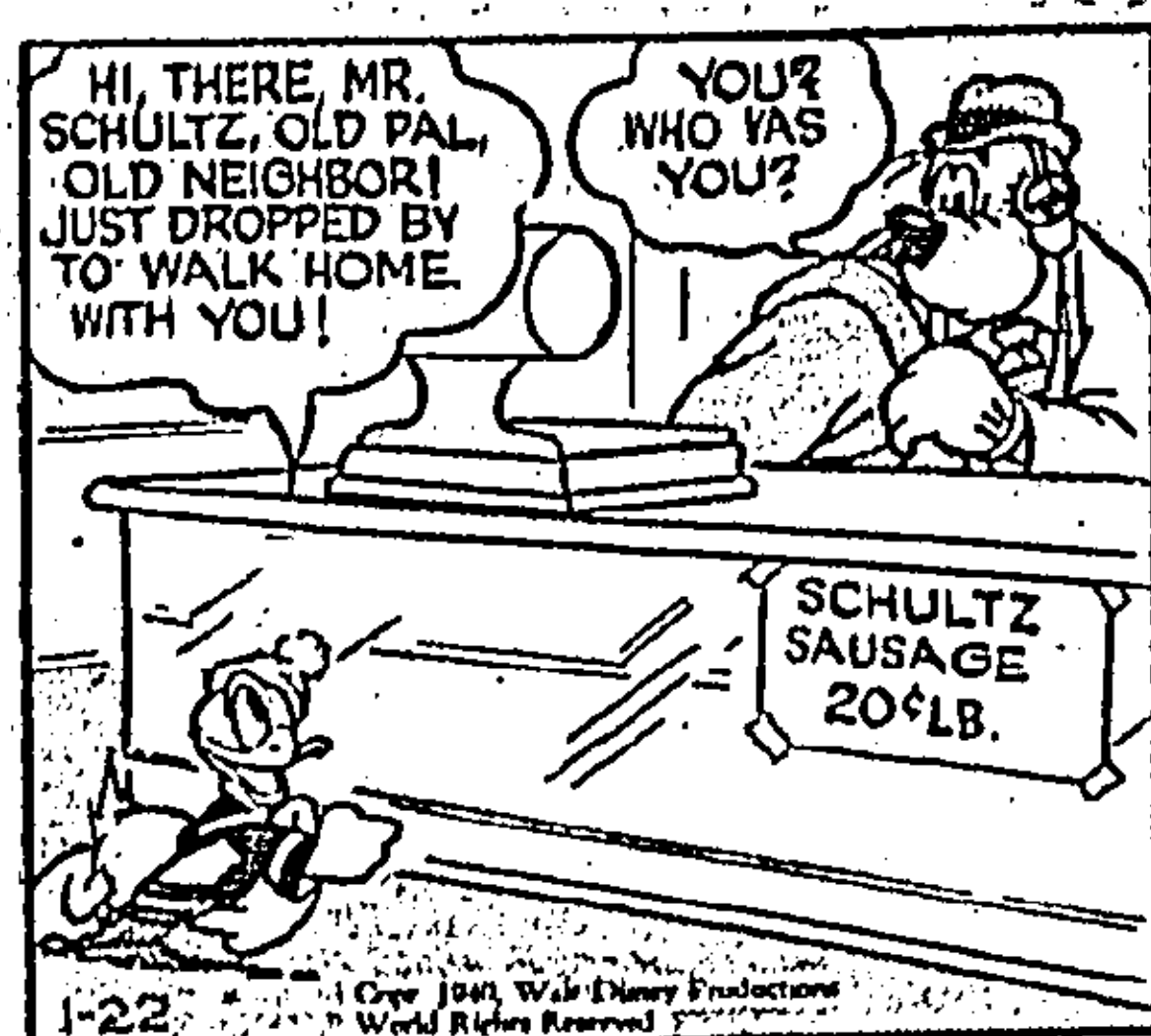
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Western Front Hardships Described

WEATHER SO COLD
FOOD IS FROZENBy MILES HANDLER
UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WITH THE FRENCH FORCES IN THE FIELD, Mar. 4 (UP).—The hardships undergone by men holding exposed positions on the Western Front is hardly realised by civilians comfortably housed in the rear.

During my visit to advanced posts, the temperature dropped to 25 degrees below zero Centigrade and it usually varies between 18 to 20 degrees below.

The discomfort was increased by a biting Arctic wind that pierced through all our clothing. The men occupying positions in the forests were relatively better off than their comrades in open fields because the trees served as a natural wind break and the men were able to gather around a wood or charcoal fire in the open without fear of being shot at by the enemy.

Food Must Be Thawed Out
The men on watch in the open fields were without any heat except that generated by a small charcoal burner in a tiny dugout where they could obtain temporary relief from the biting cold.

Food was brought in from the rear and usually arrived frozen and had to be placed over charcoal burners to be made edible. Even the wine froze in casks. Change of clothing or the removal of any garment was out of the question, and the men I saw in some sectors had been on duty for a considerable stretch of days and nights without relief.

Incredible Stamina
The stamina of these men was almost incredible. They seemed somehow to have accustomed themselves to their difficult lot and jested over their hardships.

Fatigue was ignored because lack of vigilance would certainly invite attack from enemy patrol. After a long vigil in a tiny post in an open field kept by biting winds and snowdrifts the face and hands of these men were blackened by the fumes from the charcoal burners inside the dugouts where they spent their rest periods.

Officers Share Miseries
The officers shared the lot of their men and nowhere in these exposed sectors did they enjoy any comforts of which their men were deprived. The excellent morale of the men was in a large measure maintained by the daily visits of the Colonel who traversed the length and breadth of his sector having a word with the men in each post and taking a note of their requests.

I noticed that efforts were made by Colonels and Battalion Commanders to prevent their men from taking unwarranted risks. The loss of several men in patrol or through bombardment has become a matter of deep concern to the officers. Expressing a desire to avoid the useless loss of life we heard one Staff Captain tell a young line officer, who had distinguished himself in patrol fighting and had apparently taken risks, that "We aren't here to get killed. We are here to knock-out the enemy. Be careful and don't take useless risks."

New Shipping
TragediesThree Vessels Sunk:
Heavy Loss Of Life

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Mar. 4 (UP).—It has been revealed that a German plane bombed the Dutch coastal vessel *Ilienna* on Saturday, killing the captain and engineer.

The Scottish trawler *Ben Attow* blew up with a terrific explosion off the Scottish coast to-day, the entire crew of nine being killed. The Swedish steamer *Lagadom* also sank following an explosion off the west coast of Scotland, but it is believed that the crew of 27 have been saved.

Hawkins Arrives At
Montevideo

MONTVIDEO, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The British cruiser *Hawkins*, with Rear Admiral Sir Henry Harwood as commander, arrived here for a one-day visit. It is understood that no fuel or supplies will be taken aboard.

SHAKESPEARE
(12-years-old)
HAS A POEM
FOR HITLER

London, March 4 (UP). At a speech to-day in connection with the Anglo-American Community Chest at the Dorchester Hotel, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, read a song written by his 12-year old son.

The song is entitled "To Hitler." Mr. Shakespeare explained that it should be sung to the tune of "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean."

"Maybe you could give this to Mr. Churchill," said young Shakespeare to his father.

"My U-boats are under the Ocean
My Graf Spee is under the Sea
Hitler is in a commotion
Oh! don't mention Churchill to me."

Apology To
BelgiumNazis Offer Indemnity
For Air Raids

BRUSSELS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The German Ambassador to Brussels called on M. Spaak, Foreign Minister, to-day to apologise for the incident which occurred on Saturday in which a Nazi bomber shot down two Belgian planes over Belgian territory, killing the pilot of one machine.

Germans' Excuse
The German excuse is that the German machine had been in combat with seven British fighters over France and the pilot was not aware that he was over Belgian territory.

He mistook the British type Belgian planes for British fighters. The German Ambassador told M. Spaak that German airmen had been instructed not to fly over neutral countries, and he offered to consider any indemnity which the Belgian Government might demand.

Not Satisfactory
This Nazi excuse is not likely to satisfy Belgian public opinion as the German plane was close to the Belgian machines which surrounded it when it opened fire.

It is also noted that German machines frequently fly over Belgium on their way to France and on the particular day of the incident more Nazi machines roared over Belgium including Brussels where anti-aircraft guns went into action and Belgian fighters went up to meet them.

FRANCE TO CALL
UP MORE MEN

PARIS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—France's next contingent will be called to the colours on April 10.
It will include those born between July 1 and September 30, 1910, as well as a number of exempted persons belonging to the 1920 to 1932 and 1938 classes, who are now considered liable to mobilisation in the army or auxiliary services.

LIFE IN A BRITISH SUBMARINE



NO WONDER THEY ARE SMILING.—They've just received a welcome opportunity for enjoying the fresh air and sunshine.—Photograph passed by the Censor.



THE SPIRIT OF THE NAVY.—On the conning tower above their comrades are keeping a good look-out for any emergency.—Photograph passed by the Censor.

LEAGUE MISSION TO
STUDY RED METHODS

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The newspaper "Allehand" states that a League of Nations Mission has arrived in Helsinki to make a study of the Russian methods of warfare.

An angry denial of the allegations of Russian atrocities contained in a Note published by the Finnish Government and sent to the League of Nations was contained in a statement which has been issued by the Headquarters of the Leningrad Military Area.

The statement described the allegations as being "transparently false and fantastic." The statement contained a denial of all attacks on civilian population and added "The Red Army is too strong to need poison, gas for use which it considers immoral and criminal."

S. Africa's Response
CAPETOWN, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Union Government, in response to an appeal by the League of Nations, has decided to make available £50,000 for the purchase of commodities to be given to the Finnish Government.

Malayan Contribution
HELSINGFORS, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The latest help for Finland comes in the shape of £1,450 contributed by sympathisers in Malaya for the Finnish Red Cross.

Britain's Potato
Crop Losses

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wire- less).—The damage done by frost to the potato stores in Great Britain during the recent severe weather is very much less than was at one time feared. So far as can be ascertained by the Ministry of Food, the average loss has been about five per cent.

137,000 Go On
Strike In
Bombay

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BOMBAY, Mar. 4 (UP).—A textile workers' strike has rendered 45 mills idle and put 137,000 people out of work.

The strikers represent 80 per cent. of Bombay's industry and are demanding a 25 per cent. increase in wages owing to the rise in the cost of living.

The mill owners have agreed to a 10 per cent. increase.

R.A.F. Issue Profit & Loss Account

BRITAIN WINNING
WAR IN THE AIR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 4 (UP).—The Royal Air Force has officially announced a "profit and loss" account for the first six months of the war, which shows a credit balance of 56 planes.

The R.A.F. have lost 43 planes in attacks on German naval bases, harbours, docks and minelaying bases, while two machines have been shot down on the German side of the Siegfried Line.

Against this no less than 101 Nazi machines have been shot down, including 31 fighting planes.

Altogether 42 German planes have been brought down on the Western Front and over Heligoland Bight, the other 59 being downed in raids over the east and northeast coast of England.

The Fleet Air Arm and naval gunners have also made their toll of Nazi aeroplanes, claiming that they have shot down thirteen.

The Nazi air losses in terms of cash are estimated at £3,000,000.

Otto Says
Nazis Must
Lose War

BALTIMORE, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—"There is no question but that the Germans will lose the war—the moral factor alone makes an Allied victory certain," declared Archduke Otto of the House of Hapsburg, who is visiting the United States to study the American constitutional system as the model for the post-war Central European Federation of States which, he says, "will be automatic after the war."

STUPID REPORT
DENIED

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wire- less).—In the House of Commons to-day, the Minister of Information took the opportunity of answering a question to state that there was no foundation in fact for allegations that British search of U.S. mail was being used for efforts to learn American trade secrets.

Little Less
UnemployedBritain's Latest Official
Figures

LONDON, Mar. 5 (British Wire- less).—Ministry of Labour figures reveal that the total unemployed on February 12 stood at 1,504,100, which was a drop of 14,788 compared to the figures on January 15, and a drop of 392,619 compared to February 15 last year.

The Ministry of Labour points out that the effect of the long continued frost and snow prior to the date of their last count had a still greater adverse effect on employment than when the previous count was taken in January.

Thus between January 15 and February 12 the numbers of wholly unemployed and casuals fell by 80,145, while the numbers of temporarily employed increased by 659,349.

53rd ANNUAL REPORT
Summary

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INSURANCE IN FORCE (Including Deferred Annuities)	117,721,733	121,286,254
ASSETS	34,391,383	36,536,021
INCOME	7,132,138	7,206,151
CONTINGENCY RESERVE & SURPLUS	1,372,975	1,584,094

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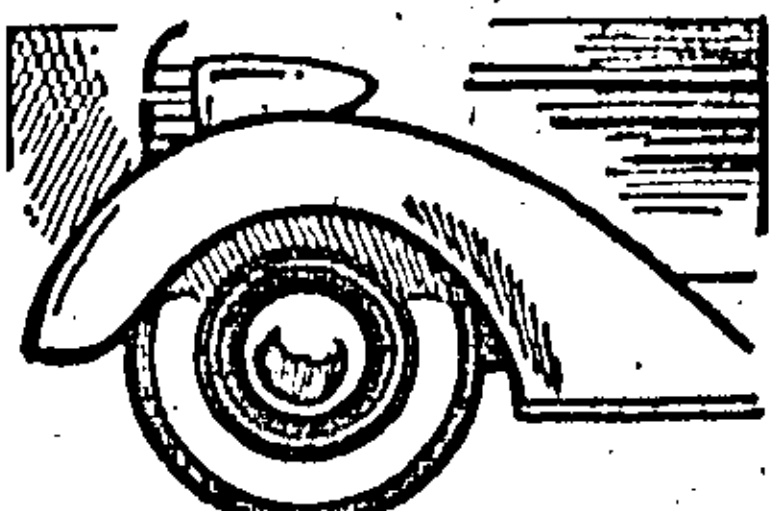
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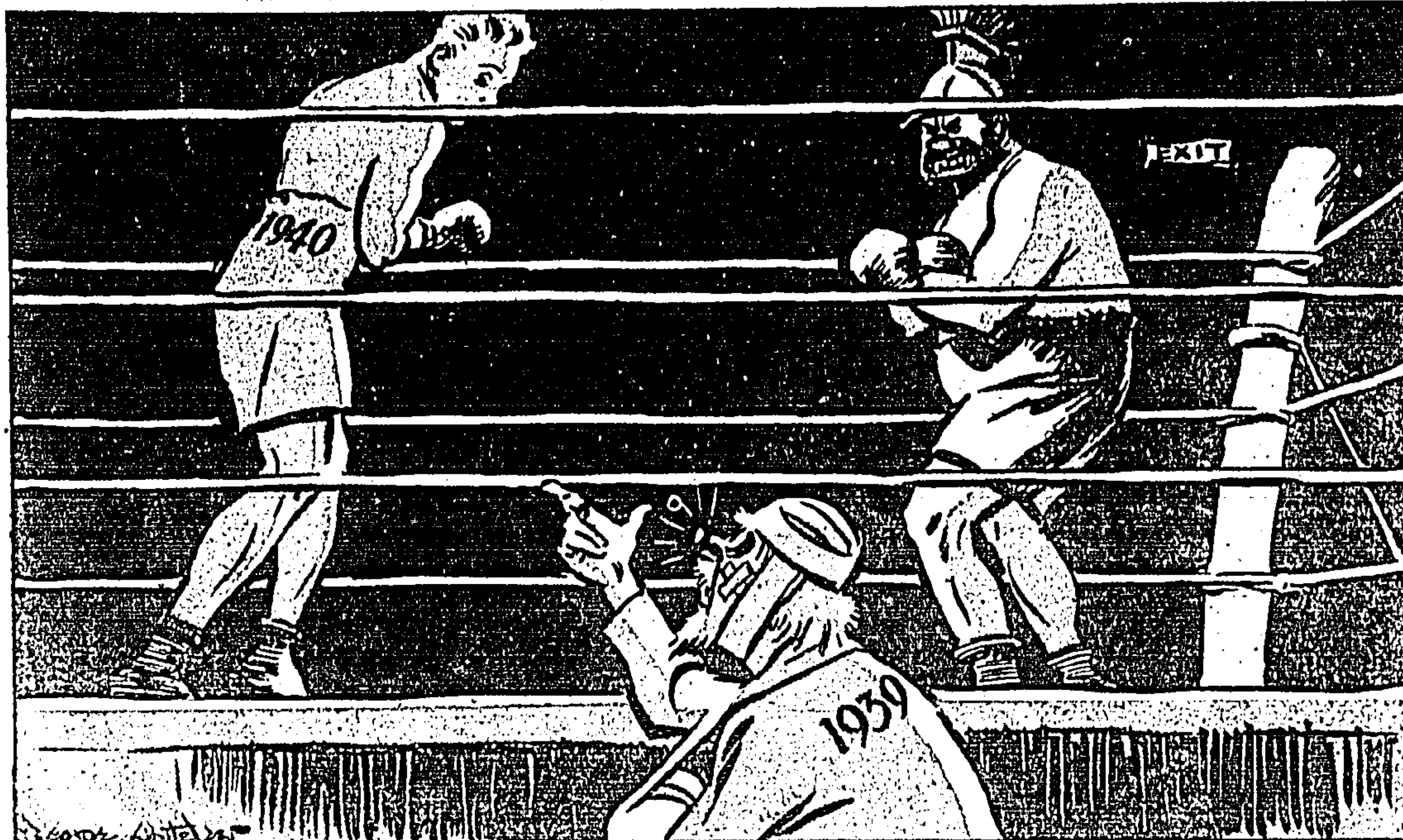
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The Small Nations

WHEN about twelve months
ago President Roosevelt asked
Hitler to pledge himself that he
would not attack the independent
nations of Europe for ten years
no satisfaction was given. When
the smaller nations were asked
to say whether they were afraid
of a German attack they held
their peace. They appeared to
be afraid of the bully's ill-will.The past year has brought a
startling change. There is not a
single one of the small nations
but is acutely apprehensive of
assault. The three Baltic States
were swallowed whole by Russia,
and she is now engaged in a
painful effort to absorb Finland.
Alarmed by the fate of these, all
the other small nations are
feverishly strengthening their
defences, determined to resist
any attack upon their liberties.King Carol has declared that
Rumania will never allow an
enemy to set foot upon her soil.
Because Holland has made no
war-like boasts doubts have been
expressed of her will or capacity
to resist aggression. She has
boldly dispelled that illusion.
The Government announces in
the plainest possible words that
any assault on Dutch territory
will be met with the most
obstinate armed resistance.Belgium, at the moment, is
silent, but she could have no
choice but resistance if Holland
were assailed by a German flank-
ing movement on the Maginot
Line. It is no pessimistic view
to regard the position of
Norway, Sweden, and Denmark
as critical in the extreme.
Switzerland, till lately considered
to be the safest country in
Europe, has mobilised all her
forces, and has 660,000 men
ready to oppose any attempt by
Germany to break through there.
The danger to the Balkan States
comes from another source.
Russia, and anxious efforts are
being made to procure adjust-
ment of their differences lest
disaster overtake them.There is not a spot on the map
of Europe but is threatened with
war, and a false move anywhere
might precipitate a Continental
war.

OLD 1939: "Better see if Mars has a horseshoe in his glove. Look what he did to me!"

Yes, I like the
sergeant who
swears. . .says Oliver
BALDWIN(Viscount Corvedale) Socialist
son of a Conservative father;
author, soldier, film critic,
ex-M.P.Was in France with the Irish
Guards in 1916 at 17WE in Great Britain
seem to have re-
placed our old bar-
rack-square disci-
pline with a peculiar form of
psycho-analytical treatment.
Recruits are no longer spoken
to sharply if they are idle in case
they are upset, and the father-
liness of the modern command-
ing officer seems certain to
make the barracks a perfect
"home from home."There are soldiers in our army
to-day who have been in training
for three months and yet walk
about the streets of the garrison
towns as if they had just got out of
bed after a heavy night.
The saluting is slovenly and offi-
cers seem unwilling to impose dis-
cipline except on their own units.
Officers, non-commissioned offi-
cers and men are mixing in public
places, and where attempts to
tighten discipline occur parents
and the modern soldiers them-
selves become class conscious and
insist that a private soldier is as
good as a general.
He may be, but no war was ever
won on that basis, and unless
something is done to tighten dis-
cipline over here I dread to think
what will happen in the front line
when the real war starts.
I will explain this criticism.
When troops are in the front
line and are being badly shelled or
have suffered heavy casualties overa period of days, there is only one
thing that can keep them working
as a unit and that is the discipline
of the barrack square—the con-
tinuous, tedious, tiring marching,
turning and halting.
Saluting, some of you say, is un-
necessary. I thought so, once, but
I have been with revolutionary
armies and I know which side wins
—the disciplined, saluting type.
When I say discipline, I do not
mean Guards discipline of the pre-
1914 type. This was overdone, but
its basis was right.
Remember, too, the Guards had
a different code to the rest of the
Line in those days. No non-com-
missioned officer was allowed to
swear at the men on parade; the
men's offences were put in a book
and the punishment was held over
till next day.
In the line regiments we used to
be sworn at and it was all over.
Two kinds of discipline, but which
did the soldier prefer?
I liked the swearing type of ser-
geant. He rarely meant what he
said, and the trouble was quickly
over. To-day the sergeants hardly
dare reprimand: the new soldier
must remain a civilian in spirit.
When discipline is as slack asCommanded the International
Brigade's British Battalion in Spain.THERE are two sorts of
discipline. One is the
obedience men give to
orders they know are
necessary and to leaders they
respect.It goes beyond obedience: dis-
ciplined soldiers do not have to
wait for orders or find an officer
before they do what they know
is needed; their own willingness,
their feeling of shared responsi-
bility, can lead them.Of that sort of discipline no
army can have too much—and the
British Army needs more. But that
is not the sort of discipline Mr.
Baldwin wants.
He asks for the other sort:Saluting will
never win a war

SAYS TOM WINTRINGHAM

Son of a solicitor, nephew of one of the first woman M.P.s, and an
expert on military affairs.barrack-square drill, smart salu-
ting, separation of officers and men,
swearing sergeants, reprimands,
stereness.That sort of discipline is useless
to-day. It destroys the strongest
moral force in an army, the feeling
of comradeship. It makes men
dependent on constant supervision.
They do nothing beyond what they
are told to do. That to-day is not
enough.An army in modern battle splits
itself into a tightly-woven mesh of
little groups; it is not possible for
an officer or sergeant to be with
each group, or for orders to reach
it continuously.Our appallingly heavy casualties
among officers in the last war was
partly due to officers trying to be
everywhere and look after every
man in the line. The amount of fireon a battlefield can be much
greater to-day than in 1916, and
the job cannot be done that way.Mr. Baldwin thinks that the disci-
pline of the barrack-square
holds troops to their job. I think of
the Canadians and Australians—
our "shock troops" of the last war.
And I think of the International
Brigades in Spain—a very useful
infantry.The Canadians seldom drilled
and very seldom saluted. The In-
ternationals, averaging five weeks
training, had little time for drill;
they saluted quite often, though
not so often as some troops. Their
real discipline did not depend on
this, or any other formality.Discipline of the barrack-square
teaches two good things: to
move without falling over your-
selves, and to get in line without
crowding. Beyond this it has little
value for war, or is harmful.

Officers should not, for snobbish

THE DOCTOR
LAUGHSA DOCTOR, in the good old
days, called at a country
cottage and said to the good-
wife, "Did you get those leeches
I sent for your husband, Mrs.
Macfarlane?""Oh, ay, sir," was the reply.
"But whif it the world was the
guid o' sendin' wee things like
yon for a muckle chiel' like oor
Jock? I juist took an' clappit the
ferret on him."Another village doctor, after
examining a young patient, said
to his mother, "And what are
you going to make of this little
man when he grows up?""Och, he's shair to be a butcher,
sir," said the fond mother. "Mexty-
he's that fond o' animals, we canna
keep him out o' the slaughter-house."Weelum was feeling very "low"
when the doctor called.
"Well, Weelum, and how are you
to-day?" inquired the doctor."Verra bad; verra bad. I wush
Providence wad ha'e mercy on me
an' tak' me awa'.""Heck, Weelum," said his wife,
who was standing by, "hoo can ye
expect that if ye winna tak' the
doctor's phreese?"The new doctor had been called in
to attend one of Mrs. M'Tosh's large
family. On entering the house he
said, "I detect rather a disagreeable
smell in the house, Mrs. M'Tosh.
Are you sure the drains. . . ?""Och, it canna be the drains, sir,"
said she indignantly. "There's nae
here awa'!"An Irish doctor, who had been
called on to examine the victim of
an accident, gave judgment as fol-
lows:—"There are three wounds.
One may prove fatal, but I expect
he will recover from the other two."One day the doctor called at a
farm labourer's cottage. "How is
your husband this morning?" he asked
buxom woman who opened the
door to him. "Did you take his
temperature as I told you?""Oh, ay, sir," she replied. "I put
the barometer on his chest, an' it
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Amazing Forced March

2,000 Miles Across East Africa

BRITISH FORCES AT KENYA

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—News was received here to-day of an amazing trek across 2,000 miles in Central Africa by troops of Northern Rhodesia who have now arrived in Nairobi, Kenya, after a journey in 200 motor vehicles from Lusaka, capital of northern Rhodesia.

They made the trip in six units and were completely self-supporting.

They consisted of the 1st Battalion Northern Rhodesia Regiment's first line transport, ambulance unit and supply company of the Northern Rhodesia Army Service Corps.

Self-Contained

They carried all their own equipment, stores, ammunition and enough petrol for the entire trip.

Only one motor vehicle of the entire 200 fell out on the way. Credit is due to the African drivers, many of whom only learnt to drive after the war began.

The contingent was met by the Governor of Kenya and the Officer Commanding the East African Forces. They will complete the contingent in Kenya of troops from all parts of British East and Central Africa.

"Civics" in August

Recruiting was not the least remarkable fact about this "army". Three-quarters of the officers and European N.C.O.s were in civilian occupation when the war broke out.

When recruits were asked for District Officers, Government officials, University men and mining and railway experts arrived in large numbers.

So numerous were the African volunteers that recruiting had to be stopped after a few weeks.

By then the first battalion had reached full strength and the second battalion taking its place in Northern Rhodesia was also fully manned.

ATTACKS U-BOAT

R.A.F. Plane Believes Venture Successful

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that an enemy submarine was attacked in the Schilling Roads at the mouth of the River Elbe by an aircraft of the Air Force and is believed to have been destroyed.

The aircraft was on reconnaissance duty when the submarine was sighted in shallow waters on the surface.

Four bombs were dropped, one of which registered a direct hit between the conning tower and the stern.

After the attack, the submarine was seen to be enveloped in a cloud of greyish-black smoke with only the upper part of its conning tower visible above water.

Official Communiqué

"SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Mar. 5 (UP).—The Air Ministry has announced that a reconnaissance plane of the Royal Air Force yesterday bombed a German submarine in the Schilling Roads.

The submarine is believed to have been destroyed.

The official communiqué reads as follows: "An enemy submarine was attacked in the Schilling Roads this afternoon by aircraft attached to the Royal Air Force. The submarine is believed to have been destroyed. The aircraft was on reconnaissance duty when she sighted a submarine on the surface in shallow water. The aircraft dropped four bombs one of which registered a direct hit between the conning tower and stern of the submarine. After the attack the submarine was enveloped in a cloud of greyish-black smoke and only the upper part of the conning tower was visible above water."

Unable To Dive

LONDON, Mar. 5 (Reuter).—The crew of the R.A.F. machine which successfully bombed a German submarine at the entrance of the River Elbe stated that after the smoke had cleared away, only a small section of the conning tower was showing above water.

The submarine was in shallow water and unable to dive.

WOMAN'S LOSS

Mrs. Belean, residing at Room 158 Gloucester Hotel, reported to the Police that she either lost in the City yesterday or had stolen from the hotel a white gold finger ring and a gold bracelet valued at \$144.

MEAT RATIONING IN BRITAIN ON MAR. 11

Disorganisation Of Supplies Reported

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wireless).—Meat rationing is due to come into effect on March 11. Meantime, there has been in the last few days a certain disorganisation of supplies—especially in the London and home counties areas—which has arisen from the difficulties which butchers have experienced in adjusting their normal buying procedure to the prevailing conditions.

Thus although there is no shortage of meat in the country as a whole, in a few areas consumers have not been able to get supplies because shops have refused to accept the allocation of local food authorities.

Temporary difficulties, which the Food Ministry believes will be quickly overcome when the trade has accustomed itself to the new conditions, arise from two main causes.

The first is the corollary of Government's undertaking to home application of a guaranteed market for livestock. There being few facilities for freezing home-killed meat, this must be consumed first and the only balance required to make up the civilian ration can be drawn from imported supplies.

The second cause is that of supplies of imported meat being shipped from the Dominions and South America. Frozen beef is almost exclusively required for both the British fighting services and the French front line troops. Consequently, the supplies available for the home market, the proportion of beef is largely reduced compared to mutton and lamb.

In the Greater London area, probably as much as three quarters of the meat sold by retailers under normal conditions is imported. In these circumstances it can well be understood that butchers in the Greater London area are finding it difficult to adapt themselves to these changes, and there has been a certain resentment among them against the type of meat distributed.

Security Stock

Meanwhile the imported supplies of meat, surplus to the current requirements, are being held as security stock against any future emergency.

The Ministry of Food states that the meat control scheme, which has been worked out by experts in the trade, is now running more smoothly every week.

In spite of the difficulties in its early days owing to the severity of the weather which disorganised the distribution of many commodities besides meat, no one was entirely without meat.

Internees Rationed

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wireless).—The Financial Secretary to the War Office revealed in a House of Commons answer to-day that German internees in Britain were rationed in food supplies according to the scale approved by the medical authorities as suitable to their conditions.

Butter and bacon are not issued, but the sugar ration is two ounces greater a week than that of the civilian population.

It was proposed, said Sir Victor Warrender, to reduce the sugar ration to the normal level and provide them with jam or syrup, which at present are not being issued.

When meat rationing begins on March 11, he said, the internees would receive one and a half pounds weekly.

Wholesale Commodity Prices

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wireless).—The comparative stability of wholesale commodity prices is noticed in the "Economist" fortnightly index which appears that prices have remained substantially unchanged since January 30.

Although there has been a slight rise in foodstuffs other than meat and cereals from 70.7 to 81.8 and a rise of five points in minerals, these are counter-balanced by a decrease in textile and metal and cereal prices.

The "Economist" suggests that both price fixing and the stability of the free market are contributing factors towards this result.

Ca-Canny Tactics By Hitler

Lord Riverdale's Warning

LONDON, Mar. 5 (Reuter).—Lord Riverdale in a speech in London yesterday warned that Hitler would postpone as long as possible any attempt to defeat the Allies on the battle-field.

Hitler's main hope, he declared, was that he could wear out the Allied resolution and bring Britain and France to a conference table before a test of military strength. He would seek to achieve a round-table conference with his army intact so that he could thump the table and threaten another war if his demands were not accepted.

"I hope sincerely that the Allies will not permit any approach, however well-intentioned, to lead them into such a false position. Until we have shown Germany that right is better than might, there can be no peace to be talked of between Germany and the Allies."

The King, in thanking war time saviors, says "It is a fine example of the determination of my people to dedicate their energies and their resources to winning victory and peace."

will not permit any approach, however well-intentioned, to lead them into such a false position. Until we have shown Germany that right is better than might, there can be no peace to be talked of between Germany and the Allies."

NEW HOPE FOR THE BALKANS

Find Encouragement In Finns Resistance

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Finland's heroic fight has altered the whole atmosphere in the Balkans and has made it hopeful again, declared the former Colonial Secretary, Mr. L. S. Amery, addressing a meeting of the Near and Middle East Association.

At this meeting the audience included many members of the Diplomatic Corps.

The Balkan nations have seen that if a small people like the Finns can make such a magnificent fight, there is a good hope that the Balkans can save themselves if they stand together.

Britain's Wish

Dealing with the German aims, Mr. Amery said that she might consider that economic overlordship was enough, but on the other hand she might need, for example, all of Rumania's oil and not merely that part for which she could afford to pay.

"As for Britain, our wish is that the Balkans may be spared the horrors of war. The war must end with a situation in which it is impossible for the Germans to dominate Europe."

For the sake of permanent peace, it is essential that the Balkans be united in one or more commonwealths that can work amicably together."

Three Years' For Robbery

Sequel To Hunghom Outrage

An armed robbery at No. 55 Ma-tauwei Road, first floor, Hunghom, on December 8 last year, was recalled at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when Cheung Ki-ki, a Shanghai Chinese, was charged with the robbery of \$85 Chinese money from Sung Ling-sang, and \$307 Hongkong money, a gold watch and a gold finger ring set with diamonds from Wong Oi-long.

The case was heard by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, and the following jury: Messrs. S. S. Harris (foreman), A. M. Lancelotti, F. E. Sousa, T. C. Elliott, S. H. Langston, J. H. Simmons and D. Alf.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det.-Sgt. C. Downman, prosecuted.

Prosecution's Case

Mr. Williams said the flat where the robbery took place was occupied by Sung, his wife, Wong Oi-long, his brother, Sung Chuen-sang and an amah. Wong went to the market on the morning of December 8 and returned about 9 a.m. Shortly afterwards, a knock was heard at the door and a voice asked for Mr. Sung. The door was opened and three men were outside, one of them being the defendant. They asked to see Sung Chuen-sang and were taken to his cubicle. Inside, accused produced a revolver and Wong and the amah were pushed into the kitchen where they were searched.

The same treatment was accorded to the Sung brothers. Sung Ling-sang would say that he noticed one of the other robbers held a knife. They could hear the house being ransacked and after 10 or 15 minutes, when all was quiet, they broke out of the kitchen and informed the Police.

Tied Up With Flex

Sgt. Downman made a search of the flat, and found a length of flex that had been used to tie up Wong, and a rolled up piece of paper which the Crown suggested was used as a sheaf for a knife. On information supplied by the amah, a watch was kept at No. 10 Pau Cheung Street, closeby, where the accused was said to live.

Cheung Ah-luk, master of the shop at that address, would say accused occupied the cockpit with several other Shanghai Chinese. All these men were there on the evening of December 7 but the next morning, only two remained. The other, including the defendant, did not return.

Accused was arrested in Canton Road on January 21, and when charged, made the following statement: "I did take part in the robbery. An identification parade was held on January 25, but neither Sung nor his wife picked out accused, although the woman at a latter stage said she recognised him."

Third Degree Alleged

After evidence by witnesses for the prosecution, accused said he had never taken part in the robbery. He was employed at West Point on the day it occurred and heard about it on his return home that evening. When he was arrested by Police, they informed him that another man had accused him of participation in the robbery. He was forced under threats of assault by the Police to confess to it.

The Jury returned a verdict of guilty by a majority of 6-1.

Cheung was sentenced to three years' hard labour.

Tanker Cut In Half

Amazing Story Of Crew's Feat

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Half of the British tanker, Imperial Transport, is now safe in Scotland after having been cut into two by a U-boat.

Captain Smalles, a Yorkshireman, was on the bridge when the U-boat fired its torpedo.

He said that there was a terrific explosion and a mountain of water covered the ship from stern to stern.

Part of the bridge disappeared beneath his feet as the ship broke into two.

The Captain did not give up, but jumped to the stern half, hoping that the tanker's engines were intact.

Used School Atlas

After a number of adventures, not the least of which was the picking up of 13 men who had got away from the bow half. These men were rescued in a kale.

Captain Smalles managed to navigate his ship with the aid of a school atlas for 100 miles. He had no wireless.

Three days later, a warship came alongside, but the Captain would not give up and tried steering his ship stern first. She did not respond and went around in circles.

Next morning another warship and a tug arrived, and with a little help the captain managed to bring his ship into port.

WELLES ON THE MOVE

U.S. Envoy Expected In London Soon

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LAUSANNE, Mar. 4 (UP).—Mr. Sumner Welles arrived here at 3.50 p.m. to-day.

He will remain here for two days after which he will continue for Paris where he will remain for three days. He will also spend three days in London, return to Paris, from thence to Rome, and sail for the United States on March 18.

Duo At Week-end

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Mr. Sumner Welles is expected in London about the end of the week, though his plans are still indefinite.

Arrangements for the various meetings which Mr. Welles will have with members of the Government are now being made.

Time will be allowed for some informal entertainment of Mr. Welles, who, it is also understood, wants to fill a few private engagements.

Declares Wars Are Related

Col. Roosevelt And Allied Ideals

LONDON, Mar. 5 (Reuter).—Colonel Kermel Roosevelt, who is to command the British volunteers in Finland, declared in a broadcast last night that the war in Finland and the war against Germany were immediately related.

"Upon the result of this war depends the future of my children and grandchildren, and the children of all who believe in individual freedom and rights."

Germany Must Be Stopped

"I believe that Germany must be stopped now if our children are to have the opportunity to carry on the heritage of their forefathers."

"The Finns are fighting for the same ideals as the Allies, and their men, women and children are being killed by the forces of evil and disruption. No man can have a higher purpose than those who volunteer to aid them in their magnificent fight."

He pointed out that the men he would command were no mere youthful adventurers but men of mature age and understanding.

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NANCY



PROSPECTS OF PEACE

Finnish Leaders May Oppose Unjust Terms

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The possibility of peace proposals being advanced for the Finnish war as soon as the Russians have entered Viborg and speculation about the political situation in Finland are occupying the close attention of foreign diplomatic circles here today.

The internal political situation in Finland is now considered to be at least as important as the military situation.

The position appears to be that not only German but many Scandinavian circles would like to see peace made in Finland.

But it is believed that Field Marshal Mannerheim and the Army leaders would resolutely oppose any proposal to make peace on terms which they have regarded as unsatisfactory.

OBITUARY

Dr. Karl Muck Passes Away

Conductor Who Was Interned in 1917

STUTTGART, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The death is announced here of Dr. Karl Muck, the famous German conductor.

Born at Wurzburg nearly 81 years ago, Dr. Muck took an early interest in music. When 11 years of age, he took part as a pianist in chamber music concerts and as a violinist in symphony concerts.

He attended Heidelberg University from which he later went to Leipzig to study philosophy and the classics, at the same time taking lessons at the Conservatoire.

At the age of 20, he made his debut as a solo pianist at the famous Leipzig Gewandhaus concerts.

He then became chorus director at Zurich Town Theatre from which he went to Salzburg as conductor-at-the-theatre.

In 1880 he was appointed first conductor at the German Theatre in Prague. He frequently visited Berlin and in 1891 was made first conductor at the Royal Opera there and later was appointed director-general of the Court Opera at Munich.

In 1912, he went to America to direct the Boston Symphony Orchestra. His great success there was cut short by the outbreak of the war and later, when America declared war, he was interned.

In 1910 he returned to Germany where he continued his work. Three years later he was appointed director of the Philharmonic concerts in Hamburg.

Our Guide To The Cinema

"Huckleberry Finn" (Majestic).—Melroy Rooney as the hero of Mark Twain's story, the two confederate men, the riverboat captain, and the gentle maidens, whom he rescued from the swindlers. The "hitching" that he prevented by reappearing in time to prove that he had not been murdered is the climax of the picture. With Walter Connolly, William Frawley, Rex Ingram and Lynn Carrer.

"Made for Each Other" (Oriental).—A glimpse, comic as well as awful, of the trials of a young married couple. Starring James Stewart and Carole Lombard.

EVADED POSTAL CENSORSHIP

BOMBAY, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Two German women, a Dutch woman and four Italian women have been sentenced to one day's imprisonment each for evading postal censorship. One of the German women wrote letters mentioning troopship movements.

A BOMBING SQUADRON SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE



FRENCH airmen ready to take off on a bombing flight over Germany from a base "Somewhere in France."—Domest.

Dramatic Stories of B.I. Liner Outrage Told By Survivors: Two Women Among 100 Missing From The Domala

RESCUE LINER STRAFED AND BOMBED BY NAZIS

Neutrals Attacked Dutch Ships Are Chief Victims

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—AMSTERDAM, Mar. 4 (UP).—Reports from Ostend state that two Dutch coastal vessels, the De Ruyter (348 tons) from Scheveningen and the Limburg (345 tons) from Terneuzen, have arrived at Ostend with a cargo of coal from England destined for Belgium.

The report said a warplane of unknown nationality machine-gunned both ships shortly after their departure from England but neither suffered much damage and there were no casualties.

Wreckage Found

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The Dutch steamer, Rijnstrom, of 895 tons, which left the Downs yesterday for Amsterdam, has failed to arrive, and it is regarded as certain that she has been sunk.

A life-boat, life-belts and a quantity of merchandise, believed to belong to her, were found floating. It is hoped that the crew of 12 have escaped in the ship's other boat.

36 Hours On Raft

Three survivors of the crew of five of the small Dutch coastal vessel, Elzienna, which was the victim of an attack by a German bomber, were landed at a north-east coast port in England today after 36 hours at sea on a raft.

The master and the engineer were killed as the result of bombing and two of the survivors were injured.

The Elzienna indicated her nationality by large flags painted on the side.

Survivors In New York

The Dutch liner, Maassdam, has arrived in New York with 27 sailors picked up after the Finnish steamer, Wilja, 3,390 tons, was torpedoed in the North Sea.

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It is officially stated that of the 295 aboard the B.I. steamer Domala, which was bombed in the English Channel on Saturday, 100 are missing.

Those missing are made up of 19 European officers, 36 native crew and 45 native passengers. There were 143 native passengers altogether.

Among the missing are only two women, both stewardesses, who are believed to have been killed instantly by the explosion.

Attacked Dutch Ship.—The Dutch ship, Jonger Wilhelm, which picked up the survivors of the B.I. steamer, was herself attacked by a Nazi plane half an hour earlier, presumably by the same one.

As in the case of the Domala, the plane was seen in the half-darkness flying low overhead with navigation lights full on.

The Dutch ship similarly took the Heinkel bomber for a British plane but discovered its mistake when a bomb dropped only 20 feet away.

The plane then dived repeatedly, sweeping the decks with its machine-guns.

Fortunately there were no casualties.

Four other Dutch ships have been attacked in the North Sea. In addition to the 2,240-ton Schiedam and two smaller boats, they included a Dutch coastal vessel, which was bombed. The Captain and engineer were killed. The three survivors have landed at a British port after being adrift on a raft for 36 hours.

Graphic Stories of the rescue of the victims of the Domala outrage were related when survivors landed in England.

An aeroplane, which helped the warship in a search for survivors, spotted a raft on which was clinging Cadet Duval, aged 17, who had been in the sea for two hours.

Cadet Duval was badly frozen and the sailors made a living chain over the warship to rescue him. Six other Europeans were overcooled and washed off the raft.

Junior Engineer Dun, of Kelly, who, who was in the engine room when the first bomb exploded, received a broken leg and severe burns but crawled along the terrace, then along the length of the ship and clambered up a 40 ft. ladder to the poop.

He lowered himself overboard on the chance of being picked up but died after being rescued.

Terrific Fire.—The Chief Officer of the vessel, Mr. Brown, described the scenes after the liner had been bombed and set on fire.

He said that it was a terrible fire and the fumes, added to the heavy seas, made rescue work very difficult. The last he saw of Captain W. Litt was as he stood on the bridge. He went to report to the Captain that the vessel was on fire amidships and

BLANKETED BY FOG

Nature Anticipates To-night's Blackout

To-night's air raid black-out was anticipated by nature by about twelve hours to-day when the harbour and surrounding neighbourhood were blanketed by heavy fog.

For several hours up to 8 o'clock this morning the fog was so dense in the harbour that ferry services were delayed and other craft were forced to feel their way cautiously, guided by sirens.

Road Traffic Affected.—Road traffic was also affected and "go slow" became automatic with drivers. A slight drizzle did not add to the general comfort, the road surfaces being made extremely slippery and difficult to negotiate.

It is believed that shipping will be held up outside of the harbour.

The fog, not a very prevalent phenomenon in Hongkong, followed yesterday's freak hailstorm in Kowloon.

According to the weather forecast Hongkong during the next 24 hours will experience light east and south-east winds. It will be cloudy with fog, and probably there will be some rain later.

The Captain then gave orders to abandon ship.

They managed to get all boats off, but one was damaged by a bomb explosion.

As the bomber finally departed, the tail-gunner fired at the ship's anti-aircraft gun crew, but did not hit them.

The Indian passengers, who were all seamen who had been employed to German ships, were naturally frightened, but their behaviour throughout was good and there was no panic.

Lashed Together.—Mr. Brown said that the last to leave the ship were the butcher and himself. He lashed the butcher to the same rope as himself and together they jumped for it. They were in the water five or ten minutes before being pulled across to a warship.

The Third Officer, Mr. J. A. Taylor, said that after being blown out of his bunk he dashed to his action station at the anti-aircraft gun, but they fired only one round before the Heinkel had finished her bombing and flown away after a final burst of machine-gun fire.

CARVE UP OF POLAND

Russo-Nazi Commission Completes Work

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—MOSCOW, Mar. 4 (UP).—It is announced that the Soviet-German Border Commission has completed the demarcation of the boundary in Poland.

The Commission was set up on October 5 last year pursuant to the Soviet German Treaty. It operated from six cities with Sub-Commissions consisting of 100 men each. The boundary is formed by 820 posts one kilometre apart.

The Commission is now drawing up maps and drafting a special frontier pact and a convention regulating border traffic and river navigation.

3,000 Border Posts

MOSCOW, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—The mixed Soviet-German Border Commission set up on October 5 last year to demarcate Soviet-German frontier has now finished its survey.

Nearly 3,000 border posts have been driven in.

The new frontier now has to be ratified by both governments.

German Coal For Italy

Blockade Already In Operation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Mar. 4 (UP).—Italy's protest against the coal blockade appears to be approaching a "show down."

Dispatches from Rotterdam state that five Italian cargo ships carrying about 30,000 tons of German coal sail for Italy to-day.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare announces that German coal ships leaving port after midnight on March 1 would be detained.

The British authorities have promised careful and quick consideration of the Italian protest but they have emphasised that Britain's rights under International Law cannot be waived.

The connection between the coal controversy and the suspension of the Anglo-Italian trade negotiations has not been clarified but British sources are hopeful of an agreement being reached in connection with the Italian desires for Italian war supplies.

Rapid Consideration

LONDON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It was stated in London today in connection with Italy's protest over the stoppage of German coal exports that the Note received a most rapid and careful consideration and the British Government will be as accommodating as possible in view of the friendly relations existing between the two countries.

At the same time, in view of Germany's indiscriminate sea warfare it must not be assumed that Britain must waive the rights and interests she maintains under International Law.

SHOTS AT CUBAN DICTATOR

HAVANA, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—Shots were fired from a car to-day at the country house of Colonel Batista, the Chief-of-Staff of the Cuban Army and virtual ruler of Cuba.

A Police Lieutenant was killed and seven people were wounded.

According to an official account, the Secret Police posted in front of Colonel Batista's house, fired on a suspicious looking car, which contained Carlos Marul, a Police Lieutenant under the former Machado regime, and Silvio Salazar, wanted by the Police in connection with the wounding of Senator Ferrera, the Deputy as he was entering the Constituent Assembly a few days ago.

Both were shot dead.

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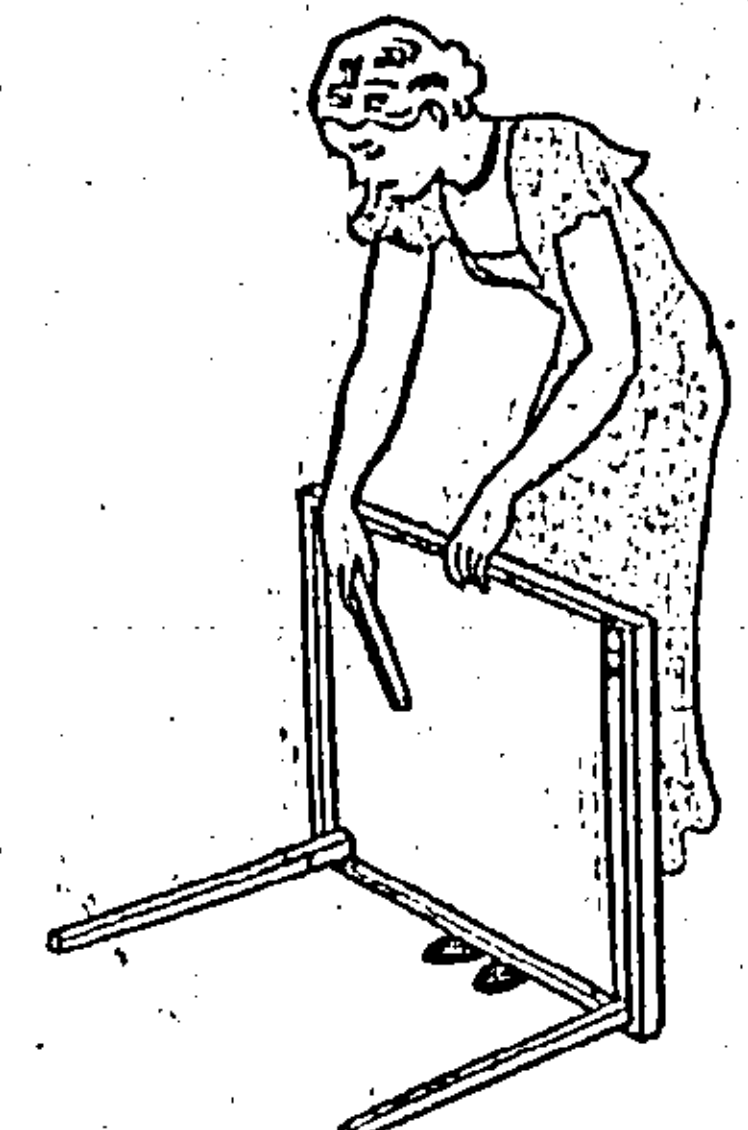
WELLINGTON, Mar. 4 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the Bank of New Zealand has lent the Government £1,000,000 free of interest for the duration of the war and six months afterwards.

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 4 (UP).—The hearing of the Roosevelt divorce case has been postponed until Thursday owing to the illness of the chief witness, Mr. Cukling.

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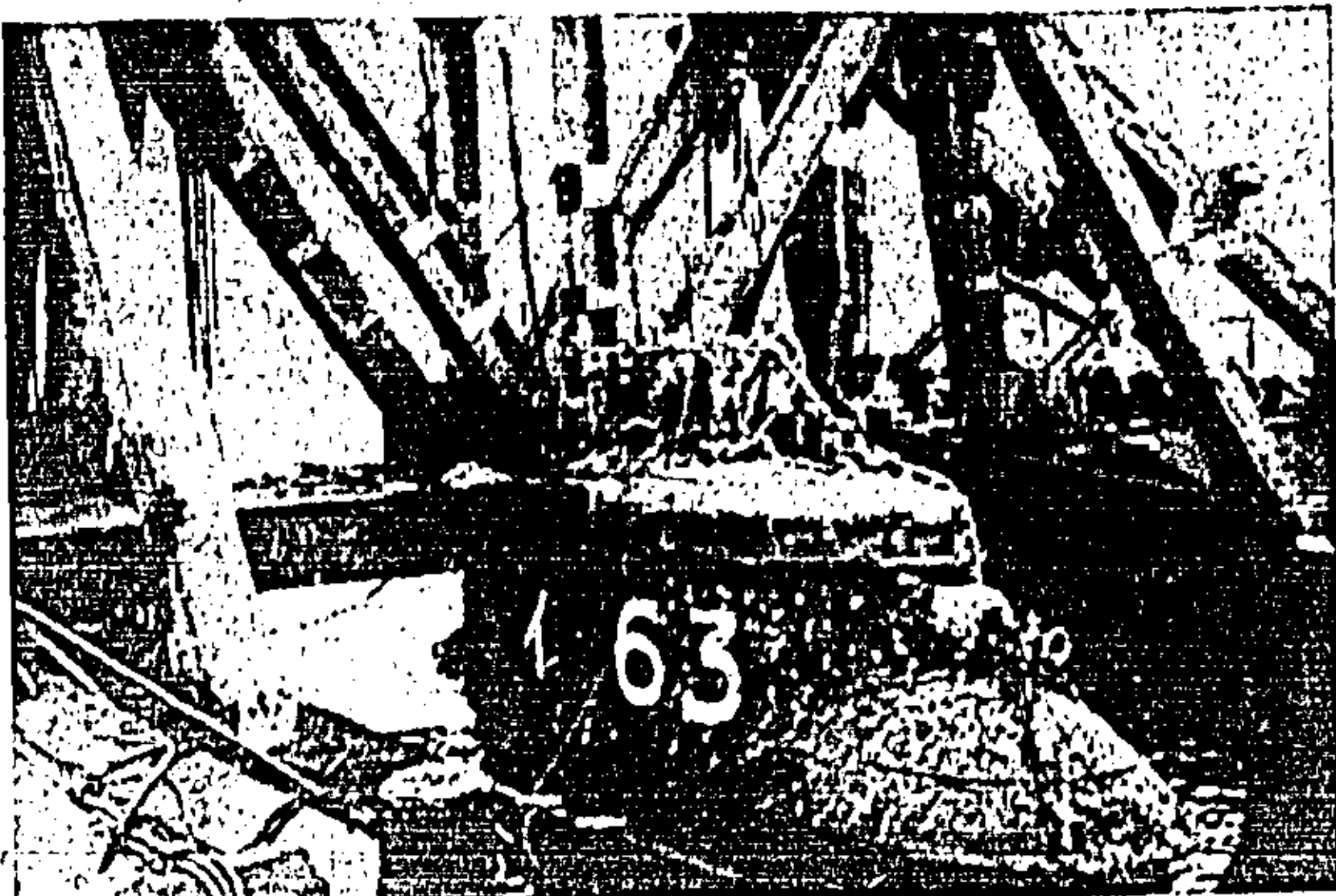


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A FINE FEAT of salvage was successfully concluded by the Japanese Navy which recently raised Submarine 63, lost with all hands in a collision with a destroyer. The conning tower of the vessel is shown in photograph above.—Domei.

Car Drivers In Court

Europeans Guilty Of Offences

Summoned on three counts of parking overtime in the Chater Road car park on February 22, 28, and 29, L. N. H. M. D'Oyly, of the Royal Scots, was found guilty on one summons, and fined \$10 by Mr. Sheldon at Central Magistrate's this morning.

The summons for February 20 was dismissed owing to insufficient evidence, and the summons for February 28 was withdrawn by Sub-Inspector Clarke as the constable concerned was not present to give evidence.

Constable Chan Wing-hung, saw car No. 3584 in the Chater Road car park at 8.14 a.m. on February 22. He left a chit in the car about 11 a.m. and on going off duty at 5.20 p.m. saw the chit still in the car.

Defendant, in evidence, said he lived at the Gloucester Hotel, and always parked his car near the hotel. It was always there between 8 and 9 a.m. during breakfast, 1 and 2.30 p.m. for lunch, and 4 to 4.30 p.m. at tea-time. The rest of the time it was in Murray Barracks.

Memory At Fault

Questioned by Inspector Clarke regarding the chit which was put by the constable in the car at 11 a.m. on February 22, defendant said it might have been a different chit.

Mr. Sheldon: The evidence is quite clear that the constable said he put the chit in the car at 11 a.m. You say the car was at Murray Barracks at that time.

Defendant: I may have been back for a short visit.

Convicting defendant on the first summons, Mr. Sheldon said, "I am quite certain your memory was at fault and the car was there for more than two hours."

Four Others Fined

Four Europeans appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistrate's this morning charged with various breaches of the traffic regulations.

Lt.-Col. M. S. Teversham, of the Rajputana Rifles, was fined \$10 for speeding along Nathan Road at 48 miles per hour on the morning of February 11. He pleaded guilty by letter.

A fine of \$4 was imposed on G. d'Almeida, of Nathan Road, for failing to keep to the left of Waterloo Road, near Dundas Street.

J. P. Ingalls, of the Home Pipe Co., was fined \$3 for leaving his car unattended on the wrong side of Salgon Street between 8 p.m. and 9.20 p.m. on February 12.

For speeding along Nathan Road at 28 miles per hour, A. L. Fisher, of the Hongkong Telephone Co., was fined \$5.

\$50 Fine For Speeding

A fine of \$50 was imposed on Yew Hsiung-chau of Prince Edward Road, for driving car at an excess speed in Gloucester Road on February 13. A representative pleaded guilty to the summons before Mr. Sheldon at Central Magistrate's this morning.

Sub-Inspector Clarke said Yew's speed was about 38 to 40 m.p.h. which was terrific.

Wealthy Man Kidnapped

Shanghai Incident

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—SHANGHAI, March 5 (UP).—Three Chinese armed with military Mauser pistols rushed into the Chinese-owned Burlington Hotel restaurant yesterday and held up the manager Mr. Wang Tse-chuan. They bundled him into a waiting motor-car which rapidly sped off.

The kidnapping is not believed to have any political connection. It is reported that Mr. Wang is very wealthy for which reason the police expect the kidnappers to ask for ransom.

Daring Outrage—Shanghai, Mar. 5 (Reuters).—Three Chinese armed with Mausers staged a daring kidnapping last night at the height of the evening rush hour.

They calmly walked into a crowded cafe in Bubbling Well Road and forced Wang Tse-chuan, Comptroller of the Export Department of the Arnold Trading Company, and a shareholder in the cafe, to accompany them.

The kidnappers whisked their victim away without any of the 200 guests of the cafe or employees attempting to raise the alarm.

The motive of the kidnapping is unknown but Wang is believed to be a wealthy man.

Ministry Of Supply

Report On Latest Activities

LONDON, Mar. 4 (British Wireless).—A review of the activities of the Ministry of Supply since the nucleus set up in July, 1939, reveals that over 4,000 persons are now attached to the Headquarters establishment, and the area of organisation is being rapidly developed.

Apart from long-term purchases, the Ministry has spent £140,000,000 during the six months of war, orders having been placed at the rate of £60,000,000 of textiles and leather, £20,000,000 of machine tools, £10,000,000 of scientific instruments and £15,000,000 of general stores.

At the present time orders are being placed at a rate of £16,000,000 weekly.

Co-operation with the war Office in schemes to avoid undue interference with industry by the application of National Service Acts has resulted in the release of approximately 26,000 Reservists and Territorials for a period of three months, and machinery has been set up to secure the postponement of the calling-up of men who are vitally important to industry.

Swiss Nazis Lose Heart

ZURICH, Mar. 4 (Reuters).—The Swiss Nazi party has dissolved itself following the arrest of its leader on charges of spying for a foreign power. The party never did have much of a following.

WESTERN FRONT

MORE GERMANS MASSING

PARIS, Mar. 4 (Reuters).—It is reported that Germany is sending new divisions to the Western Front.

French military circles here refuse to get excited about this but regard it as "normal".

To-day's communique reports reduced activity.

To Explain Blockade To Americans

NEW YORK, Mar. 4 (Reuters).—Mr. G. Ashton-Gwatkin, of the British Ministry of Economic Warfare, and Mr. Charles Rust, economic adviser to the French Blockade Ministry, arrived here to-day and proceeded to Washington.

It will be their task to provide American departments concerned with details in regard to the working of the Allied blockade.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Nothing of any particular note took place during to-day's moderate trading.

Buyers

Canton Ins. \$227½
Fires Ins. \$187½
Wharves \$103¾
Providents \$5.15
H.K. Mills 3¼ cts.
Yunnan Ferries \$27
China Lights (Old) \$8.00
China Lights (New) \$5.40
Electrics \$87¾

Sellers

Electric \$88.35
Dairy Farms (Old) \$23½
Watsons \$9.80

Sales

H.K. Bank \$1,445
Providents \$5.20/5.17½
China Lights (Old) \$8¾
China Lights (New) \$5.40/5.55
Electrics \$88/88½
Telephones (New) \$11¾
Cements \$20.30/40
Watsons \$9.70
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan \$95½

HANNIBAL LOCATED

Debris Found Strewn Along Shore

Calcutta, Mar. 4. The wreckage of the Imperial Airways liner Hannibal, which had been missing somewhere in the Persian Gulf since the afternoon of March 1 with four passengers and a crew of four, has been found by an Imperial Airways flying-boat, strewn along the coastline two miles east of Juweikuh, south of the Iranian coast.—United Press.

Scattered Wreckage

London, Mar. 4. Imperial Airways state that other wreckage washed ashore off Ras-el-Khuff has been identified as the main plane of the Hannibal. Apparently therefore the airliner's wings are ashore two miles east of Ras-el-Khuff, and the body is just off Ras-el-Khuff.—Reuters.

LAUGHTON'S TAP "STAND-IN"

SAN FRANCISCO (AP).—Charles Laughton, the British actor, has a financial "stand-in" but the United States Government doesn't think that entitles him to withhold \$104,430 claimed income tax.

The Government petitioned the United States Circuit Court of Appeals recently to review a decision of the board of tax affairs, which excused Mr. Laughton from payment of tax on his income from the films made in 1934 and 1935.

Mr. Laughton claimed exemption because he signed those earnings over to a British Corporation entitled Motion Picture and Theatrical Industries, Ltd.—of which he is the sole stockholder.

LATE NEWS

GERMAN SHIPS SIGNAL SOS

REYKJAVIK, Mar. 6 (Reuters).—It is revealed that SOS messages were picked up here during the week-end from the German steamers Wolfburg and Arucas.

The Wolfburg gave her position as northwest of Cape Horn, which is northwest of Iceland.

The Arucas gave her position as southwest of Hornsford, and said she was sinking rapidly.

Soon after a message on the same wave-length said that she no longer needed assistance.

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